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## NEW AUSTERITY PERIOD FOR BRITAIN

### Attlee Announces Drastic Expenditure Reduction DISINFLATIONARY EFFECT

London, October 24.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, today revealed to a crowded Parliament the Government's economy cuts which usher in a new period of austerity for 50,000,000 Britons.

The public galleries were packed with tense, expectant faces as the Prime Minister rose to announce the measures necessary to make devaluation of the Pound Sterling succeed and halt the advance of inflation. Mr. Attlee said that the Government had decided to take action which, apart from saving in defence, will have a total disinflationary effect of about £250,000,000 a year.

The housing programme, he said, would be reduced by £35,000,000 a year and capital expenditure by about £140,000,000.

General control of building would save another £35,000,000. Mr. Attlee said that the Government had decided on a reduction of expenditure that, together with the increase of profit tax announced recently by Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, should produce more than £100,000,000 for the next year's budget.

It was proposed to reduce the cost of education by £5,000,000. This would be done by increasing the charge for subsidised school meals by one penny and reducing transport facilities for children.

The preliminary estimate of State expenditure on agriculture next year would be reduced by about £6,000,000.

Ministry of Supply estimates would also be cut by about £6,000,000, Mr. Attlee said.

The sum of £1,000,000 would be lopped from the estimated cost of the 1951 Festival of Britain, and certain parts of the proposed free legal aid scheme would be deferred.

Administrative expenses in running the Ministry of Food would be reduced by about £1,700,000. This would be done mainly by re-organisation, concentration of divisional and local offices, and dropping some refinements of control.

#### Medical Charge

Mr. Attlee announced that a charge of not more than one shilling for each prescription for medicines would be made in future under the hitherto free National Health Service. This would save about £10,000,000. Old age pensioners would not pay the charge.

The price of raisins and dried and frozen eggs would be increased.

Turning to defence expenditure, Mr. Attlee said, "It has been possible to make reductions which, despite the effect of devaluation, will produce a saving at the rate of £30,000,000 a year."

He said that the Government forecast of future defence expenditure would be announced later.

The Government, Mr. Attlee continued, had now settled a new dollar import programme at a reduced figure of \$1,200,000,000 a year. This should reduce imports

in the first half of 1950 to \$600,000,000. Another domestic saving—this time of £800,000 a year—would be made by revising the Register of Electors only once instead of twice a year.

Economies of more than £1,000,000 would be made in the British Information Services and in the Government-financed British Council, which promotes cultural relations abroad.

Subsidies on fish and animal feeding-stuffs would be eliminated, Mr. Attlee announced.

Price control of fish would be removed at the end of the winter, and the saving on the subsidy would be £7,000,000 a year. The animal feeding-stuffs subsidy would end after February.

#### Princesses Listen

Mr. Attlee was listened to intently by an audience that included Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret.

He said that the Government had made it clear that any advantages "to be reached" from devaluation might easily be offset by an inflationary tendency.

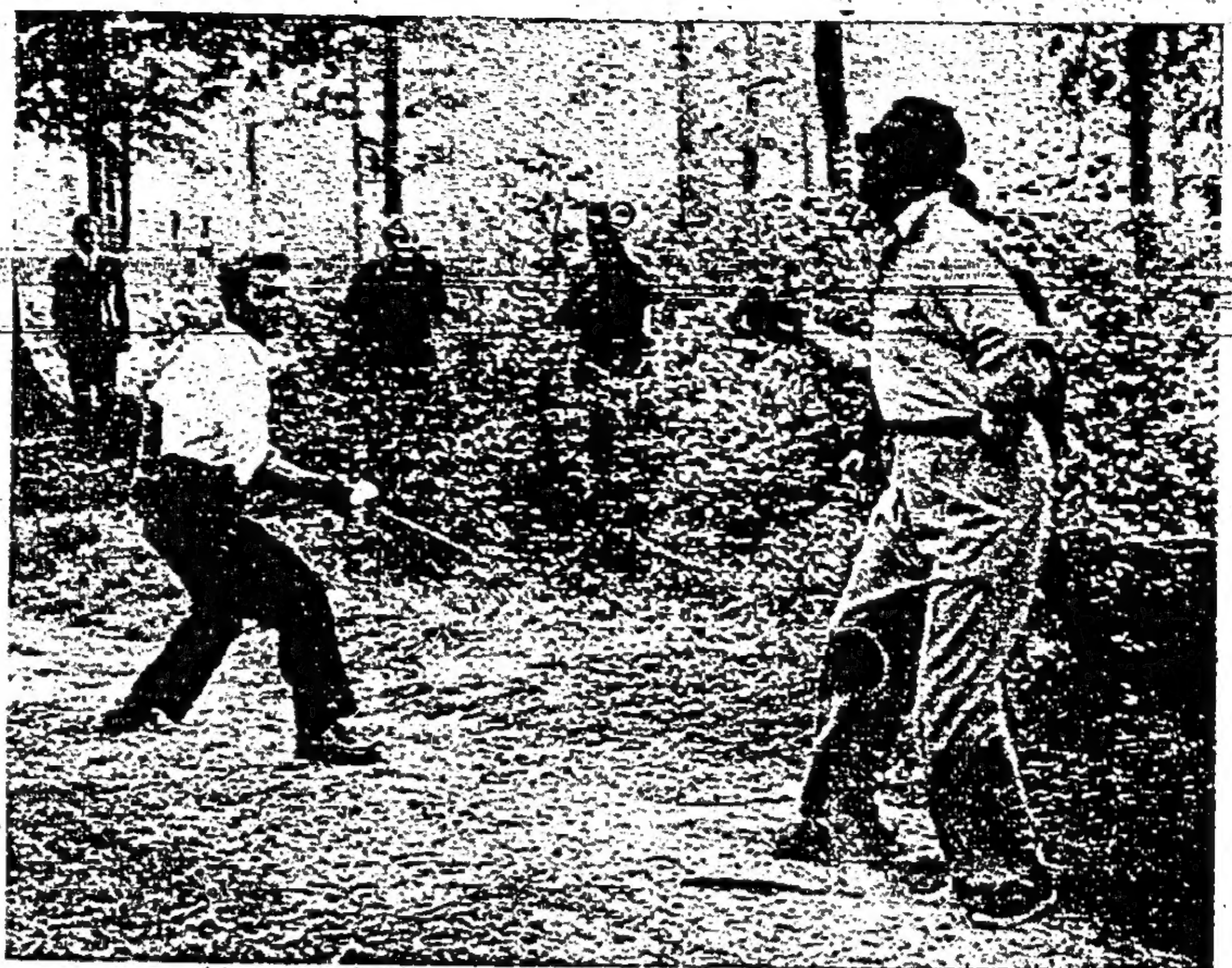
The cuts he had announced were interim measures which would be reviewed before the next budget.

Explaining the capital expenditure cut, Mr. Attlee said that the 1948 value of goods devoted to fixed investment was about £2,000,000,000.

For the current year the figure might approach £2,100,000,000. The Cabinet proposed in 1950 to reduce this rate by about £140,000,000 a year—Reuter.

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## Duel In Park Near Paris



A duel took place in the Bois de St. Germain near Paris between film director Willy Rozier and critic Francois Chalais. Rozier considered that the latter had insulted him in a newspaper article. The duel ended when Rozier wounded his adversary lightly in the forearm. Here the duel is seen in progress between Rozier-Chalais.—(AP Photo).

## Meeting Of U.S. Diplomats In London

London, October 23.

Ace American diplomats from behind the Iron Curtain met here tomorrow to plot new strategy in the big cold war between East and West and in the little cold war between Josef Stalin and Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia.

An exchange of intelligence reports on Russia's progress in developing the atomic bomb and her establishment of V-1 and V-2 rocket bases within striking distance of Western Europe may be items on the programme for discussion.

Diplomats assigned to Russia, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Bulgaria and Rumania, as well as those to Yugoslavia, will be among those present. U.S. officials sought to minimise the importance of the meeting and termed it routine, but its significance and its essential importance were obvious at this time of a world events which are bound to have influence upon future American policy towards Russia.

To emphasise the importance of the conference further, the American Ambassadors to Western Europe have just completed a similar meeting in Paris. Some of them will be here tomorrow.

#### At Boiling Point

The battle between Tito and Stalin again is at boiling point after the election of Yugoslavia to the United Nations Security Council over Russia's violent objections.

Czechoslovakia, Russia's candidate for the seat, already has retaliated against American support of Tito by ousting an American diplomat and throwing a U.S. Embassy employee in gaol.

George Perkins, assistant Secretary of State for European affairs, will be chairman at tomorrow's meeting.

Charles Bohlen, leading Russian expert of the American diplomatic service, who is now Minister in the Paris Embassy, and the assistant Secretary, George Allen, who is in charge of the Voice of American broadcasts and other American propaganda projects, will aid him—United Press.

## RUSSIA WANTS ASIAN TRADE

Singapore, October 24.

Russia told the conference of the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East (ECAFE) today that she was ready to develop trade relations with Asian nations on a bilateral basis.

S. S. Nemtchina, Soviet Minister to Thailand, made the statement during a discussion of the report of the committee on industry and trade—Associated Press.

## AMETHYST AT GIBRALTAR

Gibraltar, October 24.

The British ship Amethyst was given a great welcome when she arrived here today for a four-day visit. She is on the last stage of her journey home after running the gauntlet of Communist artillery down to Yangtze river—Reuter.

## Frosty Moller Clears Port, May Be Headed For Distressed Ship

The salvage tug boat Frosty Moller cleared port at 7.30 p.m. yesterday headed presumably for the Pratas where the 750-ton Chinese steamer Yung Ming was reported to be aground due to engine trouble.

Although authoritative sources could not give the destination of the Frosty Moller, it is understood that she was proceeding to aid the Yung Ming.

The salvage tug boat had been standing by all day yesterday following the interception of the distress signal from the Yung Ming which stated that she was adrift about 150 miles South East of Hong Kong.

The signal added that the ship had been adrift for 10 days without food and water.

A Pan American Airways plane arriving in Hong Kong early yesterday afternoon gave indications that the Yung Ming was aground in the Pratas.

The shipper of the PAA aircraft "Kit Carson" (coming in from Manila), told the "China Mail" that he sighted the ship (described it as an LST) grounded in the Pratas.

Interviewed, the skipper said that as far as he could make out, the situation on board seemed to have been orderly. The position of the ship, presumably the Yung Ming, was given by the aircraft "Kit Carson."

Naval Operations contacted by the "China Mail" late last night said that no naval vessel was standing by but that the Frosty Moller was being alerted.

The Marine department, however, confirmed that the Frosty Moller cleared harbour late yesterday evening. Her destination however, could not be ascertained.

A United Press dispatch yesterday said that Globe Wireless received the distress message from the Yung Ming at 8.30 a.m. yesterday, stating that she was adrift without food and water. Her position then was given as Latitude 21 degrees North, Longitude 116 degrees and 39 minutes East.

This placed her approximately in the South China Sea at about 150 sea miles South East of the Colony, in the vicinity of the Pratas, indicating strongly that this was the same vessel sighted by the PAA plane during the latter part of yesterday morning.

A Royal Air Force Sunderland, sent out early yesterday morning, returned and reported that owing to bad weather and poor visibility the distressed ship could not be located.

## U.S. NEEDS LESS CHINA TUNG OIL

Washington, October 24.

The United States is less dependent on China than before for tung oil, a quick drying vegetable oil used in paints and varnishes, according to a survey by the Commerce Department.

The survey said that the United States production of tung oil was approaching 10 million pounds a year.

"This production, has lessened to a considerable extent this country's former dependence on China for supplies of this essential drying oil," it adds—Reuter.

## TRUMAN URGES RUSSIA TO CO-OPERATE

New York, October 24.

President Truman today urged the Russians to be men of goodwill and agree to an effective plan to outlaw atomic warfare.

The President spoke at the cornerstone-laying ceremony at the United Nations' permanent headquarters in mid-town Manhattan. He spoke after the Assembly President, Carlos Romulo of the Philippines, had warned that the atomic age meant, "The United Nations is the last temple for re-discovery of human brotherhood. We must remain at peace with one another or die."

Soon after Mr. Truman spoke, the UN Secretary General, Trygve Lie, told the huge throng: "I believe profoundly that only the success of the United Nations can prevent a third world war and achieve lasting peace."

#### Bitter Experience

Speaking to representatives of all the United Nations, President Truman said the United States would continue to back to the hilt the so-called Baruch Plan for international control of atomic energy unless and until a better and more effective plan is put forward.

So far, he said, it was the only workable plan advanced.

With his emphatic support of the plan, however, Mr. Truman also held out a friendly hand to Russia, although he did not mention that country by name.

He said he was convinced there were no international problems which could not be solved amicably through patience, reasonableness and hard work.

#### Solution To Problems

"No single nation can always have its own way" (in solving this or other difficult problems) because the solution to human problems is to be found in negotiation and mutual adjustment," said Mr. Truman.

The substance of the Baruch Plan, which President Truman re-affirmed, has been approved by the UN General Assembly, whose members were gathered for the cornerstone-laying ceremony for the new skyscraper world headquarters on the fourth anniversary of the birth of the United Nations.

In his 2,500-word address, President Truman put much emphasis on the problem of atomic energy control and the United States' re-affirmation of the Baruch Plan. He did not refer to his announcement of the recent atomic explosion in Russia, but obviously was mindful that the problem had attained new urgency.

"It is the only plan so far developed that would meet technical requirements of control that would make prohibition of atomic weapons effective and at the same time promote peaceful development of atomic energy on a co-operative basis," he said.

He added that the Baruch Plan, which provides for international inspection of atomic energy plants, was a good plan.

Russia has blocked adoption of the plan in the UN Security Council and wants a public count

President Truman said world peace must be based on respect for human rights, promotion of economic development and a system for control of war weapons. UN members had learned through bitter experience, he continued, that disregard for human rights is the beginning of tyranny and too often the beginning of war.

He hoped that the covenant of human rights being drafted by the UN Human Rights Commission would contain effective provisions for freedom of information so that all men might seek the truth. He also commended the United Nations for undertaking economic aid to underdeveloped areas of the world.

He promised American support for these efforts in line with his "Point Four" programme. He said he would urge Congress, when it reconvened in January, to give high priority to proposals to make additional technical assistance and money available for underdeveloped nations.

Then President Truman summed up in these words, "What must be the theme of his speech: 'Respect for human rights, promotion of economic development and a system for control of weapons are requisites to the kind of world we seek. We cannot solve these problems overnight, but we must keep everlastingly working at them in order to reach our goal. No single nation can always have its own way, for these are human problems and the solution of human problems is to be found in negotiation and mutual adjustment.'

"The challenge of the 20th Century is a challenge of human relations and not of impersonal natural forces. The real dangers confronting us today have their origins in outmoded habits of thought, in the inertia of human nature and in pre-occupation with supposed national interests, to the detriment of the common good."

"As members of the United Nations, we are convinced that patience, a spirit of reasonableness and hard work will solve the most stubborn political problems. We are convinced individual rights and social and economic progress can be advanced through international co-operation—United Press.

## SAS Mark Extension Of Service

Scandinavian Airlines System celebrated their extension to the Far East yesterday with a cocktail party at the Gripps, Hong Kong Hotel, at which representatives of local airlines and tourist agencies were guests.

Mr. H. Meinich, representative of SAS, who came out to the Far East about two months ago to make arrangements for the extension, said the first scheduled flight would leave Stockholm on October 25 and arrive in Bangkok on October 30. The return trip would be on November 2.

The DC-6 planes on the service, with pressurised cabins, will be the last word in air travel comfort and speed. Mr. Meinich said, the travel time between Bangkok and Stockholm will be only 40 hours 25 minutes.

Intermediate stops would be at Copenhagen, Zurich, Rome, Damascus, Karachi and Calcutta.

The feeder service, between Hong Kong and Bangkok, will be by DC-4 Sky-masters of the Cathay Pacific Airways.

In the beginning the service will be a fortnightly one, and if traffic justified it, will be extended to a weekly service.

The manager of the Bangkok Terminal Office is Mr. A. Ryan. Agents for SAS in Hong Kong are Thorsten and Company Limited, who will book passengers to all parts of Europe and America served by the SAS system.

## The Weather

At 6.00 GMT (3 p.m. HKST) the tropical storm centred about 450 miles E of Leewards is moving slowly NW and intensifying but little information is available. The anticyclone over the Pacific E of Japan is moving Eastwards and is connected to the anticyclone over China by a ridge of high pressure. A trough of low pressure extends from the Philippines to the Ryukyu and thence ENE.

Today's Forecast: Moderate N or NE winds freshening at times. Fair.

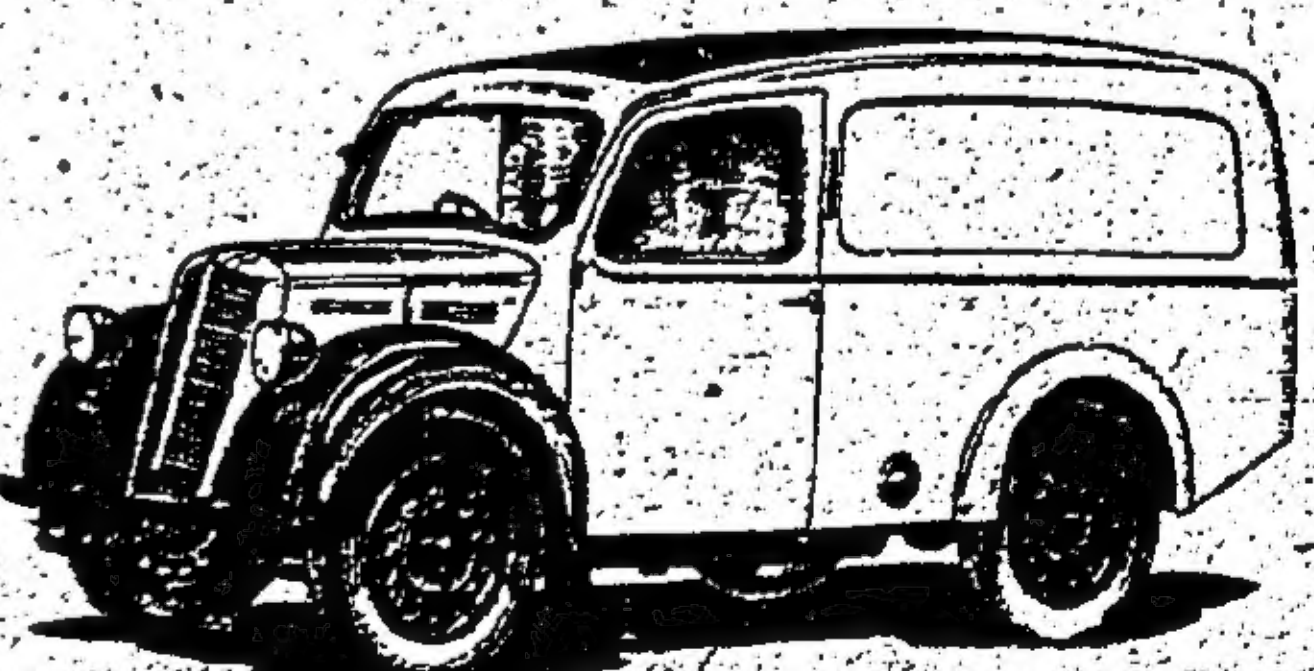
Tomorrow's Forecast: Partly cloudy. Moderate N or NE winds freshening at times. Fair.

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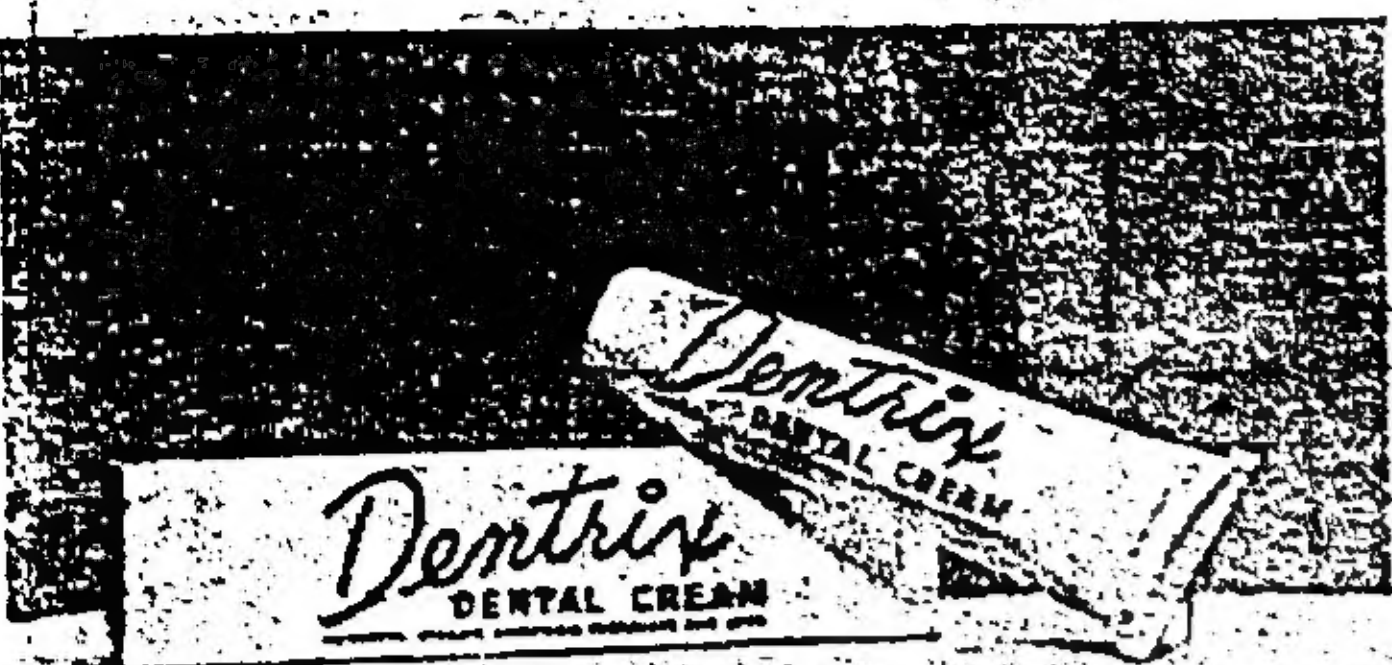
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# ARMED ROBBERY IN SHAUKIWAN VILLAGE

## MURDER TRIAL ENDING

Following the summing-up of the entire case to the jury by Mr. Justice Gould, Puisne Judge, this morning, the Ticket Scalper murder trial is expected to end this evening when the all-men jury return their verdict.

The 15th day of the trial was occupied yesterday by closing addresses and submissions by counsel for both sides.

Charged with the murder of Chan Hoi, a ticket scalper, are Chan Kam-chuen, Chan Kang-chung, Chan Hung, Leung Kau and Li Wing.

The five are alleged to have attacked the deceased on the evening of May 7 this year in front of the China Theatre, Wanchai.

First, second and fifth accused are defended by Mr. V.J.L. D'Alton, instructed by Mr. A. E. Arculli. Mr. A. J. Clifford on the instructions of Mr. A.M.L. Soares is representing the two others.

Mr. M. Heenan, Crown Counsel, assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector M. G. J. Saul, is prosecuting.

The attack in question is said to have been caused by the deceased's refusal to hand free tickets to a notorious Tan Yee Society led by one "Four Eyes".

Other things, Mr. Heenan, in support of the Crown's charges, yesterday said he relied on eye-witness evidence and also on the evidence of statements made by the accused after their arrest.

Hearing was then adjourned until this morning after Mr. D'Alton and Mr. Clifford had delivered their closing speeches.

## ss. Taipeh Due Today In Colony

The China Merchants Steamship Navigation Company declared last evening that their steamer Taipeh, which reported being in distress near Hainan Island, is due to enter local waters today.

"We have not received any message from the master. But according to schedules, she will call here for bunker before proceeding to Taiwan," he added.

The Taipeh first reported being in danger at the given position—20.5 North (Latitude) and 112.5 East (Longitude)—over the weekend.

HMS Belfast raced to her rescue. The Norwegian motorship Canserville was also reported to be proceeding to her aid. Two local tugs were prepared by the CMSEN to be despatched to Hainan.

But a later message reported that she was out of danger and was under way.

The Taipeh is on route from Hoihow to Taiwan.

## DROVE WITHOUT VALID LICENCE

A fine of \$150 was imposed on A. Kelly, of Kettlemann Hills, Kowloon Docks, by Mr. F. X. "Almadia" at Kowloon yesterday for driving a motor vehicle at Hoihow Road on Sunday without a valid licence.

The story of an armed gang of robbers that went into a hut in Sam Ke Chuen Village in Shaukiuwan and there robbed the occupants of money and jewellery was related by Detective Sub-Inspector Cochran at Central yesterday.

Before Mr. A.D. Scholes, Wong Yue, alias Ko Lo, aged 35, an earth coolie, faced committal proceedings on charges of armed robbery and possession of arms. After evidence had been given by DSI Cochran and DSI Chan, the case was adjourned until today.

DSI Cochran, who prosecuted, told the court that the scene of the robbery was a wooden hut and a stone building which the wooden hut is built on to.

Inside both these houses are the usual Chinese cubicles. There is one common doorway leading to both huts. The proprietor of these huts is Lim Lam, who is the Master of the Lam Hing Quarry at Shaukiuwan. The place is situated beside the quarry about 50 yards back from the main Shaukiuwan Road. Lim Lam is also a partner of the Chuen Ming Construction Co. in Hing Man Street.

Together with his wife and family, Lim Lam resides in these huts and some of the cubicles are occupied by other people. About 9.45 p.m. on May 1, Lim Lam was sitting on his bed near the front door of the hut. A maid-servant, Chan Mei-ngan, was also sitting on the same bed. A fooki Wong Luk, who has since gone back to the country, was sitting on a bench opposite the two, when suddenly four unknown Chinese men appeared outside the hut.

One of them entered the hut, one stood at the doorway and the other two made for the other hut where Lim Lam's wife, Liu Ho, resides with her baby. The first man to enter pointed a revolver at Lim Lam and ordered him not to move and to get further inside the hut. Lim Lam got up on to his feet and this robber dug the revolver into his waist and pushed him into the kitchen at the rear of the hut.

Here the robber searched and robbed him of \$600. The robber then ordered Lim Lam to go into a cubicle in the kitchen. Lim Lam refused as there was a lady inside this cubicle. The robber then caught hold of Lim and started to drag him towards the kitchen door but did not succeed. At the moment Lim Lam noticed that the kitchen window was open and attempted to escape through the window, but was prevented from doing so by the robber.

## Fired A Shot

A struggle then ensued and this continued until both reached the front door of the house when the robber fired a shot at Lim with his revolver. This missed, and Lim managed to knock the robber's hand aside—both were then facing inside the hut. The robber then struck Lim Lam a blow on the right temple with the barrel of his revolver, whereupon Lim caught hold of the barrel with his left hand and at the same time caught hold of the robber by the neck with his right hand. Despite this, the robber managed to break away and ran out of the door and escaped up the hillside. Lim did not give chase, but saw another Chinese dressed in black rushing out from the adjoining hut where his wife was. Lim also heard the robber fire a shot outside while he was struggling with the other robber.

Whilst all this was going on, the other two robbers entered

the hut where Liu Ho was preparing milk for her baby. One of the robbers pointed a revolver at her and ordered her to keep still and to keep quiet. The robber then started to search her, but she shouted "Save life."

The other Chinese, also armed with a revolver, then hit Liu on the arm with revolver butt. The first of these two robbers then snatched two gold finger rings from Liu Ho's left hand and as he did so the other kept her covered with a revolver. The first robber took some keys from Liu and attempted to open a big wooden box but did not succeed. He then took a wrist watch from Liu's wrist. Both of these men were masked. Liu Ho stated that who whilst these robbers were searching her, she heard two shots fired but did not know who fired them. The robbers then left.

## Search Carried out

Lim then made a report at Shaukiuwan Police Station whereupon the usual Police action was put into force and searches were carried out up the hillside in the direction of flight but no person was arrested.

Nothing further was heard of any of the robbers until acting on information, a party of Police proceeded to Chakwoing Village. An unnumbered hut was raided and there was a Chinese named Wong Yue alias Ko Lo was pointed out to the Police. This Chinese man was informed that Police were making enquiries regarding arms and ammunition and he led Police to a hut at another part of the village. Here he took the Police to a hut and pointed to some bundles of grass which were searched but nothing found. Wong Yue then took Police to a neighbouring hut where he called out something as the result of which a Chinese man and woman appeared.

As the result of further conversation between these two, the Chinese living in the hut pointed to a piece of rattan matting part of the wall of this hut. Behind this rattan matting was a revolver which when opened up in the presence of the defendant, revealed a loaded revolver and dagger.

On the way back to the Police Station, Wong Yue stated that he had pawned a watch at the Tai Sing Pawn Shop. This watch part of the proceeds of the robbery. A search of the pawn-broker's book was then made and it was discovered that a watch had been pawned on May 2, but had since been retrieved.

All parties were then taken to Chai Kwo Ling Police Station, and the defendant was informed by Det. Sub-Inspector Hing that Police were making enquiries regarding arms and ammunition and he led Police to a hut at another part of the village. Here he took the Police to a hut and pointed to some bundles of grass which were searched but nothing found. Wong Yue then took Police to a neighbouring hut where he called out something as the result of which a Chinese man and woman appeared.

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Shortly after entering the house he heard a shot fired in the other house. He then rushed to the scene and saw the occupant of the house grasping one of his partner's gun. He then pointed his pistol at the occupant who upon seeing this ran out and up the hillside. All the robbers then left and returned to Chakwoing.

## Widow Committed For Trial

Chan Shui, alias Wong Shui, alias Pung Yee-so, 30-year-old widow, was committed by Mr. James Wickes at Kowloon yesterday to stand trial at the next criminal sessions at the Supreme Court for the alleged kidnapping of three children and selling them for financial considerations.

Defendant, who faced six charges, was accused of taking away the two-year-old daughter of Yee Yee, mistress of junk No. 2179V, on August 2 from the boat.

On September 14 she was alleged to have stolen Wong Chung, four-year-old son of Wong Tsai from an unnumbered boat in Ngau Chi Wan. On September 3 she was alleged to have taken the seven-month-old son of Lee Chai, residing on the roof of 91 Gok Street.

All the children who were reported to have been allegedly sold by the defendant.

Detective Sub-Inspector D. H. Taylor, assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector Chan Wei-man, conducted the case for the prosecution.



Mr. and Mrs. John Frumentius Kela, who were married on Sunday at the Rosary Church. The bride is the former Miss Maria Magdalena Tong. "Mainland" photo.

## Carthage Arrives With Passengers

The luxury passenger liner Carthage of the Peninsula and Oriental Line arrived here yesterday with more than 200 passengers from Southampton via the Straits.

Among those who disembarked at Kowloon Wharf were business executives, Government officials, students, missionaries, a group of soldiers and Royal Navy personnel.

A familiar figure among the arrivals was Mr. James Jolly, CBE, Director of Marine, returning to assume his post after prolonged leave in England.

Greeting him aboard the British liner were Mr. Neil Garland and Dr. P. H. Tong, Port Health Officer.

Mr. Jolly was accompanied by Mrs. Jolly and child.

Four British Council Chinese scholarship holders disembarked yesterday. Mr. Robert Bruce, local British Council Representative, welcomed them.

Mr. Bruce was there also to greet his administrative officer Mr. R. Du Boe, who is here to replace Mr. R.O. Sweet, who is being transferred to the Singapore British Council Office.

A sprinkling of servicemen was seen among the passengers. They comprised men of the Intelligence Corps, who came to the Far East by H.M.T. Danvers and disembarked at Singapore, before taking the Carthage for the trip to Hong Kong.

The Carthage encountered stormy seas en route from the Straits. To many passengers, it was an uncomfortable trip.

Generally, however, everything went on smoothly, despite the heat when crossing the Red Sea. Government officials who disembarked yesterday included R.J. Ashby (Prison Department), F.A. Blacklock (Admiralty), W. Blacklock (NASO, RNA Depot), W. J. Holman (Admiralty), J. Jolly (Marine Department), N.K. Littlejohn (Port Works Office), F.C. Manning (Public Works Dept.), E.N. Pondard (Sanitary Dept.), J. Stuart (Prison Dept.), H. J. Vanthall (Supreme Court), J. Watson (Colonial Secretariat), C. Wilcox (Hong Kong Police GHQ) and J.M. Wilson (Education Dept.).

Business officials included R. Adair, M.A. Cairns, R.R. Davies, P. Fitch, T.C. Hutchinson, E.N. Johnston, R. Johnson, R. Johnson, S.E. Joshi, M. Lewis, A.L. Leland, O. Skimmer, A.M. Scrimgeour, W.S. Vaughan, W.W. Williams and C.E. Sandstrom.

Among the Royal Navy personnel who arrived were J. Patterson (HMS Black Swan), J. Russell (HMS Tamar), J. Martin (HMS Belfast), F.A. Darley (HMS Mounts Bay), J. de Bedford-Suehlich (HMS Black Swan) and A. Chittenden (HMS Belfast).

The Army men among the group of servicemen included Major W. Gilbert, Captain G.P. Harding, Lieutenant J.L.H. Humphreys and Major A.E. Tait. There were 27 men in the military group.

The Carthage is due to return to the United Kingdom on Friday.

## PAYMENT OF SCHOOL FEES

Parents who voluntarily offer to do so, may pay school fees by the term in advance. This method of payment must be acceptable to the headteacher and not more than six months' fees may be paid in advance, it was officially stated yesterday.

No headmaster may request or insist that fees be paid other than in the 10 or 12 equal instalments as already authorised. Any attempt at compulsion in the matter of payment of fees by the term will be dealt with severely.

## KCR Manager Still In Canton

Mr. I.B. Trevor, General Manager of the British Section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, is expected to prolong his visit at Canton for two more days, it was learned last night.

Mr. Trevor went to Canton to discuss and reach a working agreement with the new Chinese authorities on the question of through railway traffic and other related matters.

## Personalia

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel during the week-end included Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Davis and Mrs. F. A. Luthy, Captain and Mrs. A. A. Whitney, Mrs. H. Green, Mrs. J. B. Leung, Messrs. S. Telford, J. K. Lo, H.M.P. Pasand, J. A. Mowbray, T. H. Giles, E. Kydd, W. Kirkwood, W. H. Smith, J. H. Gilbert, W. N. Conner, T. Holby, A. V. Mincey, F. Roseburg, and E. Straughair.

Among the new week-end arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel were Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Getchell, Mr. and Mrs. D. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. E. Gleba, Messrs. Y. C. Wu, C. S. Wong, J. D. Hicks, D. D. Henley, L. L. Copley, and T. M. Wolf.

Mr. H. M. Parwan will be the guest speaker at Thursday's luncheon-meeting of the Y's Men's Club of Hong Kong. His subject will be "India as an Average Citizen sees her Contribution to World Peace." The Y's Men Club will meet at the Roof Garden, Hong Kong Hotel, at 12.45 p.m.

Departures by BOAC yesterday for Singapore included Lieutenant-Commander O. H. Steiner, Messrs. E. Kydd, E. Straughair and Lee Pak-lin.

Commander A. G. Oliver and Messrs. J. E. Burket and D. C. Yang left for Manila yesterday by Hong Kong Airways.

Messrs. M. Pieterse, R. L. Flanagan, Abel Tchen, Ngeng, and Trong Ba Tru left for Saigon yesterday by Air France.

## RAF MAN IS REMANDED

Pleading not guilty to a charge of assaulting Rosa Pim at the Star Hotel, Nathan Road, on October 23, Robert Derek Butcher, engineer of the 88th Squadron, Kai Tak, was remanded in military custody until Thursday by Mr. F. X. d'Almadia at Kowloon yesterday.

## WEDDING

Edmundo Alberto d'Almadia, 66, indolite, mercantile assistant of 6 Peace Avenue, and Miss Anita Maria Barros, typist, of 180 Prince Edward Road, have announced their forthcoming wedding.

## Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

### Medical Service

Sir,—First of all I would like to make it clear that I do respect doctors not only because they deserve my respect, but also as the Chinese proverb says, "If one cannot be a good prime minister, one should at least be a good doctor." What an honourable profession the Medical Profession is.

Speaking as a citizen of this Colony, I would like to ask a question, which is whether or not attendance is a good thing? I searched my heart and soul in meditation that, except those who think too much of themselves and not others, no one could answer "No." Next question, "Is the scheme of Medical Service proposed by the C.R.A. a benevolent one? Again, I am pretty sure that the same reply must also be "Yes!" Well, if they know that the above scheme is good, then why should they hesitate to carry it out instead of arguing about it? Are they not courageous enough? Or, can they not afford to do so? Should the latter be true, the C.R.A. is wrong to ask it of them.

Now let me ask those prosperous and wise doctors to think of their cars, houses and money made from the rich patients, to be taken to the poor and sick and sacrifice but a little of their spare time by giving a few cases of free treatment (say one to five cases). I must not be misunderstood that when I say that cars, houses and money they earned are not well deserved for the services they rendered.

As mentioned above, I ask only those who can afford to volunteer, but not those who couldn't to do the work of the ministering angels to heal the poor and succour the sick and to operate with the Government. To tell the truth, this is not the responsibility of the doctors only, but that of the Government as well. History reveals that Love begets Love and Hatred begets Hatred. This is true between individuals no less than nations. The World said that he who recognises no higher logic than that of the dollar, may become a very rich man, and yet remain all the while an exceedingly poor creature. For riches are no proof whatsoever of moral worth, and their glitter often serves only to draw attention to the worthlessness of their possessor, as the light of the glow-worm reveals the grub. And it will always be so!

"Ye who are well fed, know not those who are hungry." "Ye who are employed sympathise not those who are unemployed." "Ye who are healthy realise not the sick." But I strongly believe in such sayings! And I hope that they themselves will never suffer the same fate so as to learn a lesson of the truth. Harvest is but the fruit of what men sowed. It is, however, the responsibility of those who are harsh and cruel that compel the poor to be Communists or their fellow travellers. If, on the other hand, should the poor receive fair treatment, enough food (not just bones), and kindness, I feel certain that no one will ever turn to Communism, no matter what kind of propaganda they will use. Is it too late to mend? What I am saying is forthright and it is up to these learned men to decide. For it is written in the Holy Bible, "Ye shall know the Truth and the Truth shall set ye free." No matter how smart, clever, able, or rich one may be, none, except the savage, can live alone regardless of the community. They who are educated understand that it is much more blessed to give than to take. But how to carry it out is entirely a different question. Are they too difficult to know, or are they only difficult to do? Not! The difficulty is within ourselves. We always think of taking more than giving.

Last but not the least, hoping for the future betterment of Hong Kong, allow me to say that there is no better policy than that of being fair and kind so as to win the peoples' love and hence co-operation.

TRUTHSEEKER.

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## Reminders

### Today

Bridge Drive, European YMCA, 8 a.m.  
 HK Rotary Club luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.  
 Society of St. George, annual meeting, HK Jockey Club board room, Telephone House, 5.30 p.m.  
 HK Football Referees Association, meeting, Prince's Bldg., 8.30 p.m.  
 Kowloon Union Church Women's Guild meeting, 10 a.m.  
 HK Light Orchestra rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral hall, 6.45 p.m.  
 HK Art Club, Monthly Exhibition, entries for hangings received between 10 a.m. and 12 noon.

### Coming Events

#### TOMORROW

Exhibition of Photographs & Paintings by Mr. & Mrs. Chin-San Long, 217A Prince's Building.  
 HK Photographic Society, Monthly Dinner, Cafe Wiseman, 7.15 p.m. Speaker: Mr. Chin-San Long.  
 HK Amateur Radio Transmitters Society, meeting at the China Fleet Club theatre, 5.30 p.m.  
 Tse H meeting, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.  
 Debating & Discussion Group, European YMCA, West Lounge, 8.45 p.m.  
 Mahjong Class (no charge for Members and Services) European YMCA, 9 p.m.  
**THURSDAY**  
 Barnstormers Variety Show for Members and Services, European YMCA, 8 p.m.  
 Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.  
 Y's Men's luncheon-meeting, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.  
 HK Women's International Club Dance for Services personnel, British Council documentary films, Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m. talk by Mr. A. J. S. Major on "Law and Order".  
 RAF Association Luncheon, Jacobean Room, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.  
 Exhibition of Photographs & Paintings by Mr. & Mrs. Chin-San Long, 217A Prince's Bldg.

## Correspondence

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**Fluorescent Lamp Tubes**  
 Sir: My attention has today been drawn to an article appearing in your paper in which the Deputy Director of Health Services stated that an official warning would be in the near future issued through the Public Relations Officer concerning the danger caused by the careless handling of broken fluorescent tubes resulting in serious injuries.

Recent reports in this vein appearing in the Press in England have already drawn attention to the allegedly poisonous nature of certain Beryllium Compounds. However, we have been informed by the Research Laboratories of The General Electric Co. Ltd. of England that Beryllium Compounds are not used in the Osram Fluorescent Lamp manufacture but are used for general lighting purposes. Such compounds ceased to be used early in 1946 when they were replaced by the more efficient halophosphate powders.

The General Electric Co. Ltd. further state that this change was made on technical grounds purely for the sake of improved efficiency, and that there has never been any evidence from their own experience that the zinc Beryllium Silicate previously used by them in Discharge Lamps for general lighting had any toxic properties. As a safeguard, however, reasonable precautions should be taken on breaking up old lamps.

L. A. WOOD,  
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 The British  
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## GOVT FLATS FOR MACAO

Macao, October 24.  
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A novel and subtle form of getting revenge was brought to light at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, when a 28-year-old ex-soldier of the Chinese Nationalist Army was convicted of uttering letters demanding money with menaces from five local theatres and a cotton textile factory.

Chu Wai-man, who conducted himself with military exactness in Court throughout the proceedings, pleaded insanity. He admitted however sending the said letters and requesting the money to be paid to certain others in order to frame them up.

According to the prosecution, it appeared that the prisoner had wanted to get his own back on his wife and two men, one for having seduced and run off with his wife and the other for clopping with his concubine.

Chu was arraigned before Mr. Justice Williams, senior Puisne Judge, who deferred sentence until Wednesday for further medical observation.

A jury of six men and one woman found the accused unanimously guilty of all the six counts in the indictment.

Chu, on April 14 of this year, demanded \$30,000 from the director of the Prince's Theatre. On the 16th, he demanded \$20,000 from the chief manager of the Ro Sing Theatre. A demand for \$50,000 each was made on the 30th to the general manager of the Queen's Theatre, and the King's Theatre.

On May 16, a demand for \$50,000 was sent by the accused to the general manager of the World Theatre, and the manager of the Wyler Cotton Mill.

Mr. A. Hooton, Crown Counsel, assisted by Detective Inspector Forrest, conducted the prosecution. Chu was not legally represented.

Mr. Hooton told the Court that in each case, the letter purported to come from a gang. It also mentioned that the money asked for was merely being borrowed. The letters pointed out that if the recipients did not comply with the request, a set forth, serious measures would have to be taken against them. They added that if the recipients reported the matter to the police, their families would be killed.

### Bombing Threat

The letters further threatened that the theatres and factory in question would be bombed and burned if the money went unpaid.

The letters instructed the recipients to deliver the money to various different people, namely to one Tsui Kam-shan, of Kowloon City, and Ma Choi and Tong Sui-ye, both of 475 Chatham Road, first floor.

The recipients of the letters handed them to the police instead of complying with the requests. As a result of investigations, the accused was later traced lying at the Queen Mary Hospital. After some inquiries and as a consequence of what he told them, Chu was eventually taken to the police station and charged with the offences.

The handwriting in the letters in question was examined, and found to be identical with the handwriting of the accused.

Mr. Hooton went on to say that it was Crown's case that the letters were written by the accused to get Tsui, Ma and Tong Sui-ye into trouble.

Some time before the events concerned, there had been some trouble between Tsui and the accused. The latter had accused Tsui of having run off with his concubine. This was a clear motive for Chu on which to have acted upon, Crown Counsel said.

### Revenge Motive

Referring to Ma and Tong, Mr. Hooton said there appeared to be that Ma had seduced Tong—who was accused's wife—and had taken her away. Counsel submitted that the accused had thought that if he could implicate the two men and his wife in his letters, he could get them into trouble and thus get his revenge.

Counsel submitted to the jury that if they came to the conclusion that the purpose of the letters was only to get his wife and two other men into trouble, Chu was still guilty of uttering letters demanding money with menaces.

Corroborative evidence was then given by the managers of the six companies concerned, and other witnesses.

Tsui Kam-shan, who resides at an unnumbered hut in Kowloon City, said in evidence that he did not know the accused before, nor did he take any part in the making up of threatening letters. Ma Choi also denied any part in the demands.

In his own defence, Chu said in evidence that he was once in the Chinese Nationalist Army. During a battle at Tientsin, he had because shell-shocked. A doctor had certified to this in Tientsin, he added, and had in the meantime been called up by the Court to testify on the matter.

He told the Court that, during the prisoner's stay in the prison, he appeared to him to be quite rational and sane. He could not see that anything was wrong with his brain.

Replying to a suggestion from Chu that X-Ray be used on his brain, Dr. Lee said that X-Ray would not reveal anything.

### Wants Brain Specialist

The accused then reiterated that at Tientsin the doctor had told him that as a result of shell shock, there was something wrong with his brain. Chu then asked the Court permission for a brain specialist to examine him.

Questioned by Crown Counsel, Doctor Lee said that when Chu was examined by him in prison, he made no reference to his brain or any such abnormality in his head. There was only some deformity in his left arm.

In the course of his summing-up to the jury, Mr. Williams told them that the accused had put in a plea of insanity, and that the onus was thus on the accused's part to prove that he was insane. The evidence must show that he was more probably insane than not at the time he wrote the letters.

"You must find there was a disease of the mind causing the defect of reason, and that he did not know what he was doing, or that, if he knew, he did not know it was wrong," the Puisne Judge directed.

Deliberating for five minutes, the jury brought in the unanimous verdict of guilty on all counts.

Declaring that he was satisfied with the verdict, Mr. Williams told Crown Counsel that he did not propose to pass sentence on Chu until he had been under further observation.

It was not a question of any insanity, he added, but to see more into the accused's mentality.

Commenting the representative of the theatres and the factory concerned, the Puisne Judge thanked them for the promptitude in which they delivered the threatening letters over to the police.

"I would like to stress to every member of the public that the receipt of a letter of this nature, he should take it without delay to the nearest police station and report the matter," he concluded.

## Fishmongers Face Robbery Charge

How a traffic officer was disarmed and told to be on his way by two men, one of them armed, on the evening of September 5 at Pitt Street, was related at Kowloon yesterday before Mr. F. X. d'Almada when committal proceedings started against Chong Kam-tong and Wong Wing-chai, fishmongers, who face charges of armed robbery and possession of arms and ammunition.

The charges against defendants were that they robbed Sub-Inspector Yeung Yuk-cheung of one .38 Webley Scott revolver, six rounds of ammunition, one landyard and one wrist-watch, and on September 17 they had in their possession the said arms and ammunition without a licence.

Chong faced an additional charge of robbing Cheung So, taxi driver, of \$24 in his taxi at Boundary Street, on September 1.

Inspector D.L. Davis conducted the case for the police.

Sub-Inspector Yeung Yuk-cheung, attached to the Kowloon Traffic Office, told the Court that he was on patrol duty on Waterloo Road under the railway bridge at 11 o'clock on the evening of September 5. He saw taxi No. 4785 of the Peninsula Taxi Company driven at a fast speed and shouted to the driver to stop.

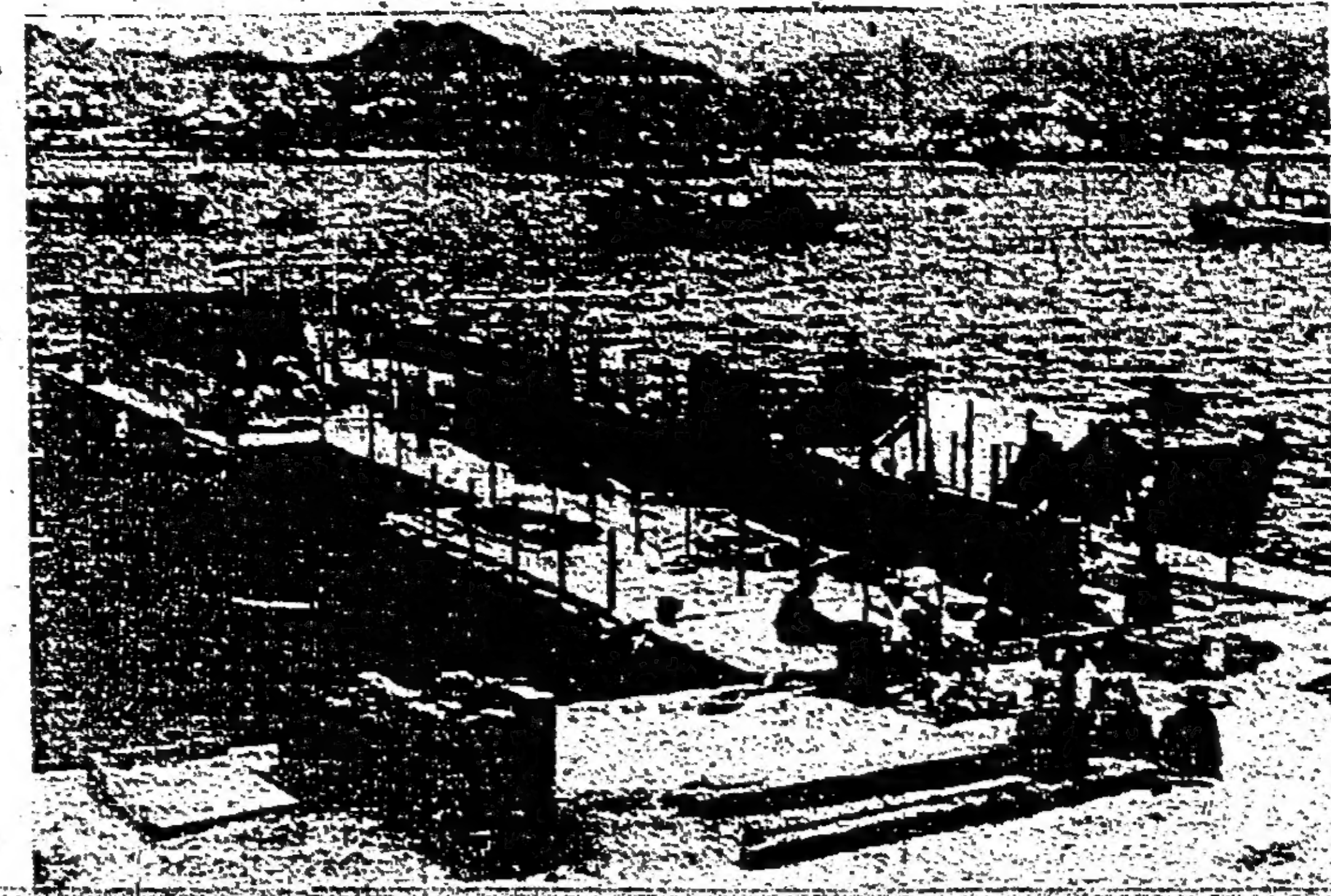
The taxi not only failed to stop but picked up speed to 40 miles an hour. He gave chase.

At Pitt Street, near Tung Fong Street, the taxi stopped and he pulled up to the driver and asked him why he did not stop when he was signalled to do so. At this moment the two passengers in the rear seat came out.

When the driver was about to reply, he heard from behind: "Put up your hands."

"Don't Move!"

He tried to put up his left hand while his right moved toward his own revolver when he felt a hard object against his back and a voice said: "Don't move." He turned around and



This new pier at the junction of Gloucester Road and Tennochy Road, Wanchai, is expected to be completed next month for the Hong Kong and Yau-mat Ferry Company. A new ferry service will then be established between the Wanchai District and the Mainland. The ferries will run between the Tennochy pier and the Jordan Road terminus. The additional service will relieve pressure on the existing ferry services considerably. Last year the combined ferry services carried a total of 64,500,000 passengers. The new route will also help ease the congestion of buses and trams between the Central District and Wanchai. ("China Mail" Photo).

## NT Rumours Denied

Hong Kong was plagued with rumours yesterday of arrests and killings in the New Territories. All were, however, categorically denied by the authorities concerned.

One rumour said Revenue Officers arrested two soldiers of the People's Liberation Army.

A further rumour said two British soldiers were killed near the frontier. Later in the day, rumours circulated to the effect that two members of the Police were shot and killed.

The Government Public Relations Officer and the Army Deputy Director of Public Relations denied the rumours.

## Absent From Jury Service

Paul William Calderara, manager of Ed. A. Keller and Company, Limited, was fined \$35 by the senior Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Williams, for being absent from jury service yesterday. Commenting on Calderara's excuse that he had forgotten about it yesterday morning, Mr. Williams stressed that the duty of jury service was one of the most important and that the excuse of forgetfulness was not sufficient.

Calderara was reminded by Court to come again on Wednesday for service again at the Criminal Sessions.

## Ocean Pride To Leave HK Today

According to arrangements completed last evening, the 500-ton towboat Ocean Pride will leave the Colony today with some 300 Nationalist soldiers and their families for Hainan Island.

Last minute refusal of the soldiers to discard their uniform and surrender their armaments prevented their embarkation on the Hoihow-bound Norwegian motorship Mui Hock on Sunday.

"We have completed our plans to send the soldiers to Hoihow tomorrow. But there's still one little matter left, but that, we feel sure, can be settled without difficulty," an official of the Hong Kong Shipping Corporation, agents of the Chinese vessel, declared last evening.

He revealed that Mr. P.J. Maley, master of the Ocean Pride, wanted to resign because of the incident.

"We have not received his resignation officially. But we think everything will be settled without difficulty," he added.

The Ocean Pride will leave without the tug boat Heath, which was being towed to Taiwan by the Ocean Pride last week, when she was "commandeered" by the Nationalists, evacuating from Samau.

During her stay in local waters no replenishments were sent aboard despite requests for food supplies, according to the official.

"The soldiers have their own supplies, which they brought along with them when they forcibly boarded our ship," he said.

The trip to Hoihow is very short. Their present supplies can easily last that long," he declared.

The Ocean Pride is riding at anchor in Kowloon Bay under surveillance by the Marine Police. Nobody is permitted shore leave.

The Ocean Pride called at the Samun Chinese Maritime Customs Station in Mira Bay on a routine visit en route to Taiwan with the tug boat Heath under tow on October 18.

### Soldiers Board

The Nationalist soldiers boarded the tug boat from Junka. The master was instructed to evacuate them to Hainan Island.

The Ocean Pride returned to local waters but was stopped by the Marine Police from entering the harbour. She anchored in Junk Bay while negotiations among the local authorities went on.

She was given an ultimatum to clear local waters by 5 p.m. on October 20.

Several circumstances prevented her departure.

Then arrangements were made with the Chin Seng Hong shipping organisation to take the soldiers and their families to Hainan.

The company agreed to transport the soldiers provided they surrender their arms and discard their uniforms. They would be treated as ordinary passengers.

"We have consulted the Norwegian Consulate on this matter and have been advised against taking the soldiers as they are. But we are willing to receive them as ordinary passengers," an official of Chin Seng Hong declared yesterday.

"The soldiers refused to abide by our conditions on Sunday. They were alongside our ship after agreeing originally to obey our instructions. But we could not permit aboard fully armed men in uniform," he added.

## SQUATTER HUTS BURNED DOWN

Some 20 squatter huts covering an area of 150 square feet on Homantin Hill near the Indian Cemetery were burnt down in a fire which started at 1.30 p.m. yesterday.

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1. Route from City Centre. Drivers of all motor vehicles from Central district, except Flag Cars are requested to proceed to the Review by the following route:—

Queen's Road East, Hennessy Road, Percival Street, Leighton Hill Road and Clockwise by Wong Nei Cheong Road to Race Course entrances.

2. One Way Streets.

The following roads will be restricted as under from 09.15 a.m. to 12.00 noon.

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NOTE:—On 27th October, 1949, there will be a Dress Rehearsal of the Police Review. Wong Nei Cheong Road from Leighton Hill Rd. will be open to Clockwise Traffic only from 09.00 to 12.30 p.m.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

October 21, 1949.

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## NOTICE

9TH RACE MEETING—NOVEMBER 5, 1949

The conditions of the 7th Race of the above have been amended to read as follows:— 7.4.30 p.m. Stonewallers Handicap. Winner \$2,500. Second \$1,250. Third \$1,000. For Australian Subscription Ponies of previous seasons only. Class 1A. Entrance \$5. From The Two Mile Post Once Round & In (About One Mile 171 yards).

By Order,

S. A. SLEAP,

Secretary.

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the 9th Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 5th November, 1949, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Telephone House; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 27th October, 1949.

By Order,

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## THE HONGKONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

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## Concerts For Next Two Sundays

The Hong Kong Light Orchestra plans to give two Concerts of Popular Music in aid of the Earl Haig Fund, one on Sunday October 30, and the other on Remembrance Sunday, November 6.

The concerts will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel.

The Orchestra has invited two guest conductors from the Senior Service to conduct the concerts. They are Commissioned Bandmaster, A. O. White, LEAM, RM, and Commissioned Bandmaster, A. E. Stagg, LEAM, RM.

As usual the Orchestra will be led by Stanley King, well-known local violinist.

The programme will include Pot Pourri, "Passing of the Regiment", "Rhapsody", "Merry England", German, "Oklahoma", Rodgers, "Hungarian", Dances, Brahms, "The New World Symphony", 4th Movement, Dvorak, and Elgar, "Chanson de Nuit", Elgar.

To support the programme there will be two Soloists: T. C. Rees (French Horn) who will play "Toreador Song from Carmen" (arranged by the conductor) and P. A. Medcalf (Violin) who will render "Hymn to the Sun" Rimsky-Korsakov and a "Norwegian Melody" by Bull. A guest artist will also support the programme.

The programmes will start punctually at 8 p.m.

There will be a bar and buffet. The Orchestra plans also to give a Christmas Concert which will include Carols by chorists, and Christmas Music and Haydn's Farewell Symphony.

Tickets for the Earl Haig Fund Concert will be on sale at the Hong Kong Hotel, Mottries and King's Music Co. at \$10 and \$5.

## Death Of Old HK Resident

The death of Mrs. Rose Lindblom occurred at her residence, 16, King Street, yesterday.

Born in Hong Kong 80 years ago, Mrs. Lindblom was the widow of Mr. G. R. Lindblom who, before his death in 1919, was connected with the Hong Kong Land Investment, Ltd. One of her daughters, Mrs. (Mary) Grondahl, died in Shanghai in 1940.

Mrs. Lindblom took a very keen interest in the work of the St. Mary's Church, Causeway Bay, and was also well-known for her charitable work.

She is survived by a son, Mr. G. L. Lindblom of the Hong Kong Government, Street Department, and a daughter, Mrs. G. E. Becker, two sons-in-law, Messrs. A. K. Grondahl-Grant (of Sydney, Australia) and Mr. Chas. L. Becker, and seven grand-children.

The funeral will take place to-day, passing the Monument at 5.30 p.m.

## DONATIONS ACKNOWLEDGED

Latest donation to the St. John's Cathedral Cemetery Appeal folder:— Members of Hong Kong Tse H. 225.

Previously acknowledged \$1,239,199.02. Mr. Chiu Kuo Chi \$100, Mr. Au Yuen Kwong \$100, Mr. Au Shiu Cho \$100, H.K. Hotel Merchants Association \$100, Mr. Chiu Han Leung \$100, The Asia Hotel \$100, The Man Fong Hotel \$100, Mr. Chan Hay Mao \$100, Mr. Chan Yee Tung \$100, Messrs. Fook Sang Co. \$100, Mr. Wong Sit Kee \$100, Messrs. Sun Sun Co. \$100, Mr. Tang Yick Fan \$100, Mr. Hoang Sing Tai \$100, Mr. Wong Pak Yau \$100, Mr. Lam Yick Shuk \$100, Mr. Hui Ying Sam \$100, Mr. Yip Ma Chan \$100, Mr. Chan Yau Yiu \$100, Hong Tai Goods Co. \$100, Mr. Choy Cheung \$100, Mr. Kwok Chun Sing \$100, The Chen Sing Commercial School \$100, The Wing On Marine Fire Insurance Co. \$100, Mr. Pao Siu \$100, Mr. Ming Cheung Fook \$100, Mr. Li Wal Cheung \$100, Mr. Li Mao Chin \$100, Mr. Cheung Chung Wing \$100, Mr. Fook Chu On \$100. Total \$1,242,199.02.

## Rediffusion Show For Servicemen

Rediffusion will broadcast a specially-devised audience-participation show for the member of the Forces in Hong Kong at 9.30 p.m. today.

The programme will originate in the (Assembly) Hall of the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, Hennessy Road. All members of the forces are invited to attend.

The "Free-For-all" programme will be contested by two members of the forces, Dai Jenkins and Angus Macleod. All sailors, soldiers or airmen who will take part will be interviewed briefly at the microphone and then asked three questions.

They will be paid cash prizes for correct answers, and a larger sum will be to the contestant who gives the correct answer for the "jackpot" question at the end of the programme.

"Free For All" presented by Rediffusion provides considerable fun and enjoyment for the Forces in addition to extra cash for those who take part.

All members of the forces are invited to the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, Hennessy Road on Tuesday nights. They should be in their seats by 9.15 p.m.

## Fined \$1,000 For Violating Ordinance

Wong Chau, aged 59, of the Wong Chau Kee Firm at No. 50, Staunton Street, ground floor, was fined a total of \$1,000 or six months' hard labour by Mr. A. D. Scholes at Central yesterday on two charges of the dangerous goods ordinance.

Defendant was charged with the removal of 50 lbs. of fireworks under the dangerous goods ordinance without a permit, and with possession of 50 lbs. of fireworks without a permit.

R.A. J. Brooks told the court that defendant had been in the fireworks business for more than 30 years and should know that it is unlawful to have the fireworks without a permit.

A shipping office informed the Fire Brigade that there were fireworks, the property of Wong Chau Kee, stored on board the ship. Two days later defendant went on board and removed the fireworks. Defendant had no permit at that time and the commander of the ship told defendant not to do so.

When a search was made of defendant's premises, 33 lbs. of fireworks were found. Defendant had by then sold 17 lbs.

"Defendant has a very bad record, both in post-and-pre-war continued Mr. Brooks, and defendant's premises were on fire once, in which 17 persons lost their lives."

"In another instance, defendant was fined \$2,700 and had it not been that he was too old, he would have gone to prison," concluded Mr. Brooks.

## AND DON'T FORGET THE TIP

Charles Louis Huang, aged 25, was fined \$10 by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday for failure to pay his taxi fare on October 16.

It was stated that defendant engaged the taxi at Teinshatui to drive him to Granville Road. Defendant gave complainant 80 cents for a \$1 fare after the latter was unable to give him change for a \$10 note. Altercation started and complainant took defendant to the station where he refused to pay including the additional charge of \$1.80.

Imposing the fine, Mr. d'Almada said that defendant provoked the case and ordered him to pay the driver \$2.80. "And don't forget the tip either," he added.

## CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Stop grumbling, Waldo! After all, you only have to earn the money—I'm the one who has to make it last seven whole days!"

## BARCLAY ON BRIDGE By Shepard Barclay

"EXITING" IS GOING OUT "EXIT" in its ordinary sense, means "go out." In bridge it has a slightly different connotation. Sometimes it implies "staying out." An "exit play" by a defender, for instance, is one whereby he so uses his cards that the leader at a time when it would be costly to his side. Usually the mechanics of it call for him to play a high card unnecessarily, so that his partner, instead of he can win the crucial trick and so be able to lead.

The idea was fine, but West also had an idea. It was to avoid winning the third diamond lead, since he could see what South was up to. So, when the diamond 5 was led to the eighth trick, West played the J, and when the Q won East put on the diamond A, on which West dropped the K. Thus West had used two exit plays. When the diamond 8 was then offered from the dummy, East was able to win it with the 9, instead of West's return of the spade J then made it certain that the Q would get a trick for West and thus beat the contract.

Tomorrow's Problem: S A 9 6 4, H A 7 5, D 8 6 3 2, C Q 4. S Q 7, H 10 8 6 4 3, D A 9, C K 10 7 2.

Declarer: South. Neither side vulnerable. South West North East. 1 C Pass 3 C Pass. 4 NT Pass 5 H Pass. 6 C.

Upon seeing the dummy after West led the heart J, South noted that he had to lose one trick in diamonds, so could not afford a loser in spades, or a second in diamonds. To protect himself against having to win both spade and diamond finesses, he first took out trumps in two rounds, next eliminated hearts from both his holdings by winning the second and third rounds, then hazarded the diamond Q finesse.

With that working, his idea was

What would you consider the best bidding of this highly competitive deal?

Declarer: North. North-South vulnerable.

Declarer: South. Neither side vulnerable.

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# BAO DAI GOVERNMENT TO WELCOME NEHRU'S MEDIATION ATTEMPT

## SCAP WATCHES JAP RAILWAY WORKERS

Tokyo, October 23. High-American occupation officials said today that they were watching the Japanese Railway Workers' Union as the key to whether labour's swing from the Communist control of major unions will continue.

The Railway Union, which is the largest single Japanese labour group, recently threw out the Communist leadership and installed "moderate" democratic officials.

Under new leadership the Union immediately pressed for a 50 per cent basic pay increase but the demands were rejected by the State Railway Corporation on the grounds that it was unable to meet higher payrolls, the occupation authorities said.

A compromise of a 25 per cent wage boost was recommended by the Central Mediation Commission but the Corporation again flatly rejected the increase, officials said.

Observers pointed out that under the former radical leadership the union probably would have gone on strike. However, the new leadership has insisted on taking all possible legal steps to force a raise before using the strike weapon. The case is now before the Public Arbitration Commission.

Occupation officials believe that if the moderate leadership can maintain its hold over the union, Communist leadership in other unions and the big Congress of Industrial unions may be rapidly eliminated.—United Press.

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## ECA AID TO EUROPE REPORT

Washington, October 23.

The Economic Co-operation Administration announced today that the money the United States spent for European recovery since the beginning of the Marshall plan has passed the \$7,000,000,000 mark with tomorrow's allocations of \$11,585,000.

In its report today, the ECA said that nearly 47 per cent of all the money spent since April 1948, has gone for industrial goods. Another 45 per cent went for agricultural and food products, about seven per cent for ocean freight charges and about one per cent for technical assistance.

Britain and France each received more than \$1,000,000,000 in assistance. The United Kingdom received \$1,194,705,000 and while France received \$1,310,091,000, Italy was third with \$734,000,000.

The nation receiving the least money was Iceland which was given \$3,356,000 in goods and services.—United Press.

## Albanian Blast At Yugoslavia

Prague, October 23.

Mehmed Shehu, General Secretary of the Albanian Workers Communist Party, has accused Yugoslavia of arming Albanian anti-Communist exiles and sending terror and sabotage bands into the country to try to overthrow the government, the Albanian Telegraphic Agency reported today.

The accusation was contained in a despatch from Tirana. It alleged that Marshal Tito's aim was to replace Albania's Communist government with a reactionary regime.

Shehu charged that Marshal Tito's allies in these activities were the Greek government, Italian reactionaries and Anglo-American imperialists.

"His hostile activity," Shehu told a party meeting, "consists of organizing and arming Albanian reactionaries in Yugoslavia against this country, organizing armed provocations against our territory and sending subversive groups into Albania to spread terror and sabotage."—Associated Press.

## HOFFMAN TO MAKE IMPORTANT SPEECH

New York, October 23.

A speech to the European Marshall Plan Council due on October 31 by Mr. Paul Hoffman is expected to be a turning point in the European Recovery Programme, the New York Times said today.

A despatch from its Paris correspondent forecast that the Economic Co-operation Administration was expected to emphasize that doubt about the continuance of Marshall Aid for four years would grow if a more impressive demonstration was not forthcoming and the need for freer trade and convertibility of European currencies.—Reuter.

Saigon, October 23.

The Vietnam Government headed by Bao Dai, ex-Emperor of Annam, would welcome any attempt by Pandit Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, to bring about peace in Vietnam by mediation, it was thought in usually well informed Vietnamese circles here tonight.

Observers here consider, however, that if the French Government intends to ask Pandit Nehru to mediate between the French and Bao Dai on the one hand and Dr. Ho Chi Minh, the head of the Vietminh, Indo-Chinese Nationalist Government, on the other, the request can hardly be made until the handing over of power by the French authorities to Bao Dai's Government is completed.

This process is expected to be completed by the end of this year. After that date, Bao Dai is expected to take "important decisions" with the aim of ending the fighting in the country. If he does not succeed, observers consider that mediation by a neutral power will be necessary.

French political circles in Indo-China are doubtful of the chances of success of a conference between the French and all Vietnamese leaders with a neutral power as a mediator, in view of what they describe as the intransigent attitude of Dr. Ho Chi Minh.

The possibility of Mr. Nehru being asked to mediate has already been discussed in the Vietnamese press, which has given wide publicity to recent utterances of Pandit Nehru in Washington and New York, and approved his statement of a neutral attitude between the two world blocs.

## Yugoslavia Stronger, Says Tito

London, October 22.

Marshal Tito stated in an interview with a British journalist today that Yugoslavia's election to the Security Council of the United Nations made his country "now stronger as regards the defence of peace."

"But this," he added, "does not mean that we are now protected from attacks which will not be lessened. But it does mean that we now have the right to state our case so that the world will know it."

"We need the moral help of all democratic people. We do not think that anyone dare make war on us if the moral position of the whole world is with us. In any case, we are not at all nervous."

Turning to the situation in the other Eastern European countries, Marshal Tito said: "In Bulgaria the situation is very difficult and the Bulgarian people already know that things are much better here. In Albania the situation is even worse than in Bulgaria and it is bad in the other countries too."

"The crises in these countries are being used to eliminate the leaders who are not satisfied with the situation there."

Discussing the economic situation in Yugoslavia, he stated, "We are up against enough difficulties but because we are firmly determined to build our Socialism we are sure our plan must succeed."

"We have done far more than has been in other in other People's Democracies and we have built up a morale among our people against which the slanders of our critics are harmless."

Marshal Tito denied that Yugoslavia had been in contact with the Greek Government in Athens.—Reuter.

## Perfectly Neutral

A widely-read Manila daily paper wrote recently: "A perfectly neutral personality, Pandit Nehru, could act as mediator between the French Government, Bao Dai and Ho Chi Minh."

Reports that the French might ask Pandit Nehru to mediate increased the optimism in Vietnamese circles, who are inspired by the admission of the Bao Dai Government as an associate member of the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East.

A highly-placed official of the Bao Dai Government told Reuter: "For the first time Vietnam is admitted into an international organisation. This admission constitutes a first step in Vietnam's entry into international life."

"It is, likewise, the first stage on the way to the recognition of an independent Vietnam by other powers."

The attitude of India at the ECAFE conference in Singapore, when the India delegation voted successfully for the admission of the Bao Dai Government's delegation and that sent by Dr. Ho Chi Minh's Government, was welcomed in Vietnamese political circles as proof of India's qualifications as a neutral mediator.—Reuter.

## PRINCE BERNHARD IN COLLISION

Cologne, October 23.

Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands narrowly escaped injury when an automobile he was driving collided with a horse and cart at Wehen, near Bonn, yesterday.

The horse was killed and the car damaged, but Prince Bernhard and the other three occupants of the car were unharmed. The car was only slightly damaged.

Prince Bernhard was on a week-end visit to Western Germany.—Reuter.

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## Issue Of Peace Treaty Delicate For Jap People

Tokyo, October 23.

When it comes to the question of the peace treaty, the Japanese, just for this one time, would like to be able to eat their cake and have it. The treaty, which would enable Japan to become once more "independent," is infinitely to be desired. Yet, many Japanese quake on their wooden sandals to think that this would lead to withdrawal of American troops and leave the country vacant for Russian aggression.

A realistic school of Japanese thought leans toward continuance of a de facto peace, to be attained by gradual stages, and to last until the international situation stabilises.

A recent editorial in the English language "Nippon Times," published in Tokyo, says:—

Many Japanese, of course, are not agreed that a peace treaty at an early date is necessary. There are those who express complete satisfaction over the present state of "peace without a peace treaty," where trade contracts are being concluded, Japanese citizens are going abroad, and numerous controls are being returned to the Japanese government. There are others who seriously feel that the nation will not be able to stand sufficient on its own feet as yet.

But whether pro or con, the question which invariably crops up is that of security—whether Japan would be able to maintain her independence both internally and externally if put on her own.

That is the main question as far as all sincere Japanese citizens are concerned.

Little Protection

Many Japanese sincerely fear that the nation cannot protect itself. And that feeling is intensified by the Communists and the Rightist groups are so insistent upon an early peace treaty and the removal of the occupation forces. The motives of these minor extremist groups are too clear.

Internationally, the Japanese peace treaty question will most certainly raise a furor.

Despite General MacArthur's confidence that the Japanese people have earned the right to a peace treaty, many nations still fear the resurgence of the military Japan of the past. They feel that democracy could not possibly have taken roots in the four post-war years. That such fears should be expressed is not surprising, but that they are not compatible with actual conditions in present-day Japan any close observer of this nation can see.

But after all is said and done, the question of the when, how, and what of a peace treaty is purely an academic matter as far as the Japanese people are concerned. As for the expression of the Japanese position in any peace settlement, the people with full confidence in the discretion and judgement of General

## Cripps Speaks On Christian Way Of Life

London, October 23.

Sir Stafford Cripps, Britain's Chancellor of the Exchequer, today declared at a meeting at Blackburn, Lancashire, that unless the world's peoples adopted the practical and admirable tests Christ laid down as a guide to their way of life, we should soon plunge into an even more disastrous international tragedy than any yet experienced.

Sir Stafford said he spoke not as Chancellor of the Exchequer, not as a Party politician but as an ordinary member of the Christian community.

His audience comprised Anglican, Roman Catholic and Free Church clergy, members of the three main political Parties, city councillors and "men-in-the-street."

On Communism, Sir Stafford said that if it were compared with Christianity one could not doubt its falseness, but "if we are to show up that falseness—it can only be upon the basis that we can make Christianity an effective guide to our national and international life."—Reuter.

## BAN ON PRIVATE FLYING IN EGYPT

Cairo, October 23.

Egypt has prohibited private flying over her territory during joint Anglo-Egyptian air defence exercises from October 26 to 31.

The Egyptian Civil Aviation Department has also instructed commercial airline operators not to fly above 4,000 feet over the Nile Delta and Valley in clear weather, and strictly to avoid crossing the Eastern and Western Deserts.

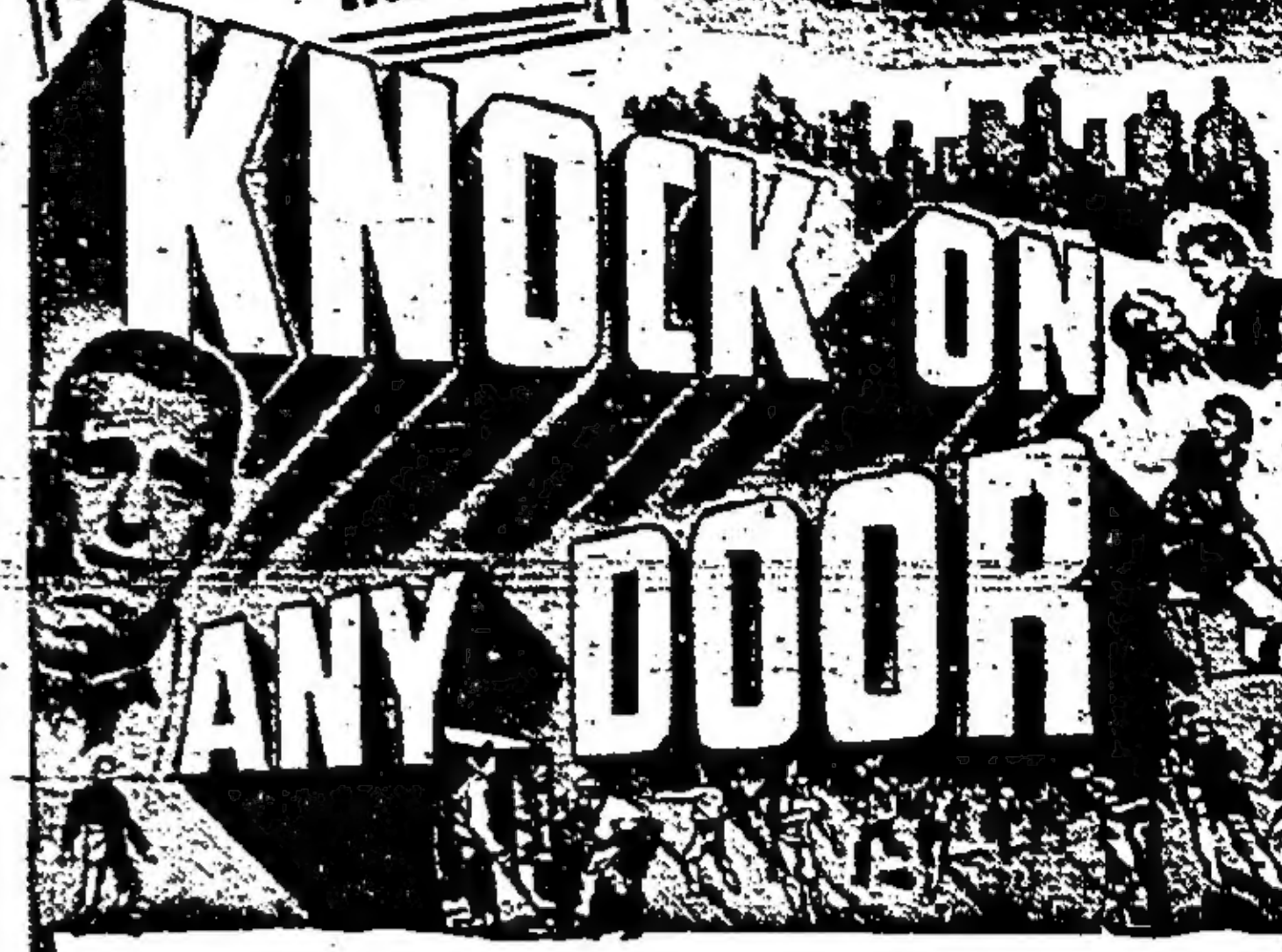
The exercises are expected to provide much valuable information which could not be obtained otherwise, a Royal Air Force announcement said.—Reuter.

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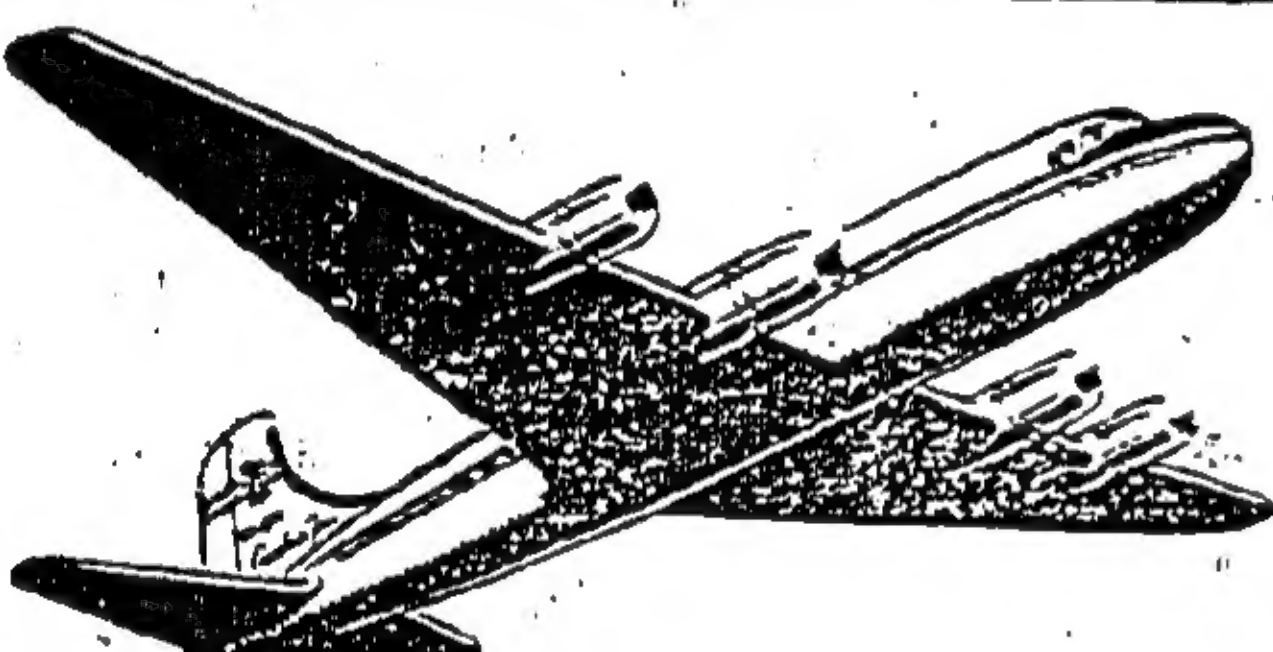
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## DEATHS

YU—Elsa, beloved wife of Yu  
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ber 24, Funeral today,  
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Hospital at 4:30 p.m. Macao  
& Canton Papers please copy.LINDLOM—Mrs. Rose Lind-  
blom at her residence yester-  
day. Aged 80. Mother of G.  
L. Lindblom and Mrs. C. L.  
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standard of living, and imply  
still harder work, without of-  
fering any immediate way out  
of the country's difficul-  
ties.The Conservative opposi-  
tion, and many critics in  
America, have claimed time  
and again that the Labour  
government's enormous in-  
ternal expenditure must be  
reduced if the nation is to sur-  
vive. Such comments made no  
impression on the theorists in  
power, as long as a steady  
flow of American dollars could  
be depended on to mask the  
glaring flaws in their econo-  
mic planning.The time came, however,  
when Attlee and Cripps were  
told that such aid could no  
longer be expected on the  
same terms, and they must  
take drastic measures. It be-  
gan to dawn on some of the  
less bigoted ministers in  
Whitehall that perhaps not all  
of Britain's difficulties were  
due to the war; it was pos-  
sible that major upheavals  
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into operation the long-held  
ideas of cradle to grave pro-  
viding by the omnipotent and  
omniscient State, supplanting  
the endeavours of private  
individuals since the world  
began to look after their  
own families. It might also,  
in time, be possible to re-  
move incentives to make  
brilliant men work hard at  
difficult tasks with no more pay  
than a labourer, and to en-  
sure that the laziest, most  
inefficient workman had a  
high standard of living.Such miracles, however,  
have not happened, yet, and  
the government might well  
turn aside from increased  
austerity for all (apparently  
its sole panacea) and try  
working as if human nature  
had not altered. It may  
please the trade unions to see  
even higher taxes imposed on  
manufacturers, but this is  
unlikely to make firms strain  
to the utmost to produce  
more goods for the export  
drive. It might even help to  
have a revision of income tax  
scales, so that instead of  
spoon-feeding a workman  
with ersatz foods, and cosset-  
ing him with clinics, he  
might be attracted to work  
harder and longer, keeping  
the extra money for himself.From an objective stand-  
point, it is not easy to see  
that "free" spectacles and thePOPULATION IN EUROPE  
HIGHER THAN IN 1939

By KAROL THALER

Tito Is  
At The  
Crossroads  
By EDWARD HOWETito, who fought the war in  
the Balkans in the name of the  
Russians, is now the man most  
hated by the Kremlin. Trots-  
kyism has now been replaced  
by Titoism in the Communist  
jargon and spat out with far  
more venom.But whereas Trotsky is dead,  
Tito is still alive and a far bigger  
thorn in the side of Communism  
than Trotsky ever was. Tito is  
master of his country, and to make  
matters worse, this country, Yu-  
goslavia, is one of the territories  
most coveted by the long-term  
planners in the Kremlin.Although the quarrel between  
the Cominform and Tito is being  
bitterly fought in the open on an  
ideological plane, the reason for  
Russian acrimony has its origin  
in geography. The severest blow  
so far to the Kremlin's aims in  
Europe has been struck by one  
of their staunchest disciples.When the war spread to the  
Balkans Tito was called upon by  
Hitler's attention from Russia  
and came to the aid of the  
possible in South Eastern Europe.  
This was the short-term policy,  
a simple matter of strategy. But  
the essence of his policy was not  
to stop with driving out the Ger-  
mans; it was to clear the way to  
the Mediterranean for the Slav  
bloc.

## No Illusions

A glance at the map will show  
what the Russian aims really  
were. They were nothing new.  
The Soviets were intent on carry-  
ing on the heritage of the Tsar.  
They wanted direct, unbroken  
lines of communication connect-  
ing Mother Russia with the Cz-  
echoslovakia, Hungary and Yu-  
goslavia, while another would pass  
through Rumania and Bulgaria.But to the final obstacle,  
Yugoslavia's Southern neighbour,  
Greece. Tito was considered  
formidable enough to overcome  
this hurdle. But he has failed.Usually when a Communist  
fails he disappears or is liquidat-  
ed. Tito has survived, and despite  
desperate efforts to dislodge  
him is more powerfully enthroned  
than before. He has erected a  
barrier preventing Communist  
expansion into Greece. Little  
Albania has become blockaded,  
making her the "Berlin of the  
Balkans" and compelling the  
Communists to organise an air-  
lift, principally from Hungary, to  
keep the country going. Talking  
in terms of future conflict, Yu-  
goslavia is off the Communist map  
as a possible friendly base.Tito has no illusions as to what  
will happen to him should he  
ever permit Russian troops to  
enter Yugoslavia. He would have  
to take hurriedly to the moun-  
tains again. Now, at all costs,  
the Russians must be kept out.  
At the same time, Tito is just  
as adverse to Western influence  
as he is to the East. He would  
close contact with the West  
would not send him to the hills,  
but he believes that his power  
in the country would be weak-  
ened.

## Needs Help

This state of affairs puts him  
very much in the position he  
occupied during the war. Russia  
will not help him now. Yet dur-  
ing the war Russia was quite un-  
able to assist him except for the  
verbal encouragement on the  
radio. This meant, therefore, that  
he had to accept material help  
where he could obtain it—from  
the West.In Belgrade, the "White City,"  
Yugoslavia's capital, Danube,  
the lively Serb inhabitants  
are saying: "The world is  
now divided into three parts,  
the East, the West and Yugoslavia".  
Just how long this country of  
16 millions, a cocktail of Serbs,  
Croats, Slovenes, Montenegrins  
and Orthodox Catholics, Protestants  
and Moslems, can preserve this  
splendid isolation is not difficult  
to foretell. Pure economics supplies  
the answer.As Yugoslavia could not  
win the war against the Germans  
alone, so she cannot survive the  
disturbed peace without outside  
help.Whereas, during the war, thou-  
sands of tons of supplies, arms,  
food, clothing and medical equip-  
ment came to Yugoslavia from  
Britain and America over the  
perilous Balkan air-lift, now  
machinery and raw materials  
must pass along more civilised  
channels.A little pride has to be swal-  
lowed. A little more human un-  
derstanding has to be injected  
into the east-of-Communist lead-  
(Continued On Next Col.)like are sufficient compensa-  
tion for fabulously-priced  
beer and cigarettes, and  
scarce, poor quality clothing.  
To put it this way is over-  
simplification of a complex  
problem, but it really is  
doubtful whether Britain can  
survive under a system pledg-  
ed to destroy private initia-  
tive, and with it most of the  
qualities that made the coun-  
try great.The population in most Euro-  
pean countries is today higher  
than before the war. There are  
more marriages, the birth-rate is  
higher, the death rate lower, but  
there are far more divorces.  
This emerges from a United  
Press survey in countries West  
of the Iron Curtain.The post-war period has  
brought almost everywhere a  
"boom" in marriages and births  
have gone up rapidly, though the  
number of marriages is now  
lower than before the war, while  
it has remained almost unchang-  
ed in Italy.One significant indication of  
improved medical and hygienic  
conditions throughout Europe is a  
steep fall in the death rate. Only  
in Germany it appears above the  
pre-war level.Divorces, already on the in-  
crease before the war, have gone  
up rapidly since the end of the  
war, in many cases as an imme-  
diate result of war conditions and  
circumstances.France, known before the war  
as the country with a falling  
birth-rate, appears to have rever-  
sed the process. It now witnesses  
a striking increase of the birth-  
rate and of marriages, with a  
declining number of deaths. But  
her population is still below pre-  
war level, as a result of war losses  
among Frenchmen and the large  
foreign population of the coun-  
try.

## The Story Of A Traitor

By "WINDRUSH"

Special Correspondent

A book by that stylish writer  
Miss Rebecca West, has been  
attracting much attention in  
England in the last month. It  
is called "The Meaning of  
Treason" and it describes,  
vividly and brilliantly, the  
trials and court martials at the  
end of the war of the British  
subjects who worked for the  
enemy.The chief culprit tried was  
William Joyce, the "Lord Haw  
Haw" of the German radio dur-  
ing the war. Joyce used to broad-  
cast almost nightly. Probably he  
was not a great asset to the  
Germans as a propagandist. He  
taunted and taunted his British  
listeners, especially at the bad  
times of the war, and roused  
their fury against him. He did  
not persuade them, or make them  
defect.Yet for a time he had been  
dangerous. Many who heard  
his broadcasts will think Miss West's  
description of them very ac-  
curate. "It was difficult not to  
chance on Joyce's wave length  
when one was tuning-in to the  
English stations, and there was  
an arresting quality about his  
voice which was a sacrifice  
not to go listening."It was a rasping, yet rich  
voice. It seemed as if one had  
better harken and take warning  
when he suggested that the  
destiny of the people he had left  
in England was death, and the  
desire of his new masters in  
Germany life and conquest, and  
that therefore his listeners had  
better change sides and submit.

## Surprised At Contrast

At his trial the spectators were  
surprised at the contrast between  
this radio voice and the sight  
of Joyce in person."He was a tiny little creature  
and, though not very ugly, he was  
exhaustingly so. His hair was  
mouise-coloured and grew thinly.  
His neck was long and his  
shoulders were narrow and slop-  
ing. His arms were very short  
and thick, so that his sleeves  
were like little lobsters. His body  
looked flimsy yet coarse. He wasers. The fact that Yugoslavia has  
broken the uncompromising  
Kremlin shackles shows that the  
spirit is there, but needs careful  
handling.I know from personal experi-  
ence the Yugoslav people are  
willing. Like all brave peoples  
they have long memories. I re-  
member one occasion that illus-  
trates my point. It occurred in  
Bosnia during some of the bitter-  
est guerrilla fighting. The parti-  
sans had suffered heavy casual-  
ties.I recall with horror one long  
caravan of human misery stretch-  
ing for over a mile in length of  
wounded men and women, boys  
and girls, stumbling and hobbling  
on, and some were carried on  
stretchers. The stench of festering  
wounds pervaded the air.In one memorable night, by  
full moon, the RAF landed eight  
Dakotas within 12 miles of the  
German garrison and took over  
200 partisans back to hospital in  
Italy. The partisan general turned  
to me with tears in his eyes  
and said: "This is the greatest  
thing Britain has done for us.  
We shall never forget it." Next  
day the RAF repeated the auda-  
cious attempt, with equal success.It is these people whom Tito  
should consult now, the people  
who were behind him at his time  
of crisis and success. They were  
the heroes of the Yugoslav re-  
volution.war. The total number rose  
since 1938 from 273,000 to 359,-  
000 last year. Divorces have al-  
most doubled at the same time  
but have remained under the 50,-  
000 mark.Germany: In four-year, Ger-  
many the total population accord-  
ing to 1946 figures was 64,400,000,  
compared with 58,800,000 for the  
same area before the war. Heavy  
population movements, influx  
from other parts of the Reich, and  
displaced persons make it difficult to assess  
the actual increase.

## Death Rate Up

But assessments for the British  
Zone, described as representative  
for the whole of Germany, re-  
veal that the number of births  
was, as everywhere, increased  
since before the war, but so has  
the death rate.Germany, indeed, seems the  
only country where the death rate  
has gone up, the increasing be-  
ing nine percent. There were 25  
per cent more marriages than be-  
fore the war. The divorce rate  
is roughly 10 per cent of the total  
marriages.In the Soviet zone, the death  
rate is believed to be far in ex-  
cess of the birth rate. The popu-  
lation, according to the organ-  
ism of the American military govern-  
ment, shrunk by 124,000 between  
Spring 1948 and 1949, leaving a  
total population in the Soviet  
Zone of 17,800,000.Professor Friedrich Burgdorfer,  
German expert on population  
movements, predicted that the  
German population would rise and  
reach its peak with 67,800,000 in  
the area of the four zones and  
subsequently begin to decrease  
by an average of 600,000 per  
five years.Italy: Birth in Italy has slight-  
ly fallen since the war. It was  
more than 1,000,000 in 1938. Last  
year it was below the million  
mark. The death rate, on the  
other hand, is lower. Marriages  
have remained on the same level  
as before the war.The increase of population with  
half a million reached its highest  
peak in any single year in Italy's  
history as a result of the differ-  
ence between births and deaths.  
The total population gained nearly  
2,000,000 since the war and is  
now at nearly 46,000,000.Belgium: The population, after  
a fall during the war below the  
pre-war level, is now surpassing  
the 1939 mark of 8,200,000 by  
some 200,000. Belgian war losses  
include 13,400 military war  
casualties and 76,000 civilians.

## Belgian Birth Rate

Like in other European coun-  
tries the birth rate is on the in-  
crease. It has risen by more  
than 10 per cent in the last 10  
years. The number of deaths is  
steadily falling and is now equal-  
ly some 10 per cent below the  
pre-war level. There were 25-  
000 more marriages last year than  
before the war when they reached  
54,000, but divorce cases have  
since doubled.Holland: Here, too, the popu-  
lation is steadily growing with  
a slightly bigger increase in the  
country than in big towns. The  
increase since the war is calculat-  
ed at 10 per cent.Switzerland: Between 1937 and  
1947 the population of this war-  
spared country has risen by  
300,000 to 4,500,000. But the  
population is rapidly over-ageing  
due to an unchanged death rate  
and a growing birth rate both  
caused largely by a high standard  
of living and the country's general  
welfare. Both marriage and  
divorces have substantially in-  
creased, the former by more than  
one-fifth, the latter by one-fourth.Sweden: In Sweden, too, the  
population has risen since theTaiwan has decided to deport  
its five Soviet subjects. Just a  
few red swallows could easily  
make an Indian summer for the  
Nationalists there.Yesterday's prize-winning head-  
line:  
"Mystery of the headless  
corpses."  
Must have been one of those  
corpses delict.Our local advertisers again:  
"Radio Hammarlund HQ-129-X  
communications receiver. Used  
in Alaskan pups. The puppies  
have China three months. Mov-  
ing to India."  
Don't blame them, either.

## Nose Talk

The late Mr. Rajk was one of  
those conspirators who just don't  
give a hang.In Eastern Europe the truth  
doesn't take much drugging out.

You lucky people.

"The blaze was extinguished  
before any danger was done by  
the fire department."Judging by the number of  
bridges they blow up, the Na-  
tionalists seem bent on making  
every river a Rubicon.Only trouble is, they're going  
in the wrong direction."I hope you found that novel  
I gave you interesting," remarked  
Myrtle to a friend."No, not very," said the other  
girl, "but the letter you left in  
it for a bookmark was!"

## Our muscular clergy.

A message by the Rev. — will  
follow the singing at the morn-  
ing service.A New Territories correspon-  
dent writes to say that on Sun-  
day a dear old lady went out to  
the frontier with a bag of nuts,  
to placate the red gorillas she  
had heard about.Now that the leaders of the  
Communist Party in America  
have been sentenced, one can ex-  
pect reprisals on the members of  
the Democratic Party in Moscow.An American comedian has  
been charged with attempting to  
choke a radio engineer.He is relying on the time-  
honoured defence that he was  
only trying out a new gag.The two ladies were discussing  
a highly confidential matter.  
"I told Grace about it," said  
one, "in strict confidence, of  
course.""Did you warn her not to re-  
peat it?" asked the other."Oh, no," replied the first. "I  
didn't dare do that. I thought if  
I didn't ask her not to repeat it,  
she'd think it wasn't worth re-  
peating."war. The ratio appears to be the  
same as in most other countries in  
Europe—some 10 per cent as com-  
pared with 1938. The increase has  
been most noticeable in the cities  
due to the flight from the land.Norway: Norway's population  
has increased by more than 250,-  
000 since the war and is now  
surpassing the 3,000,000 mark, due  
to an increased birth rate and  
fewer deaths. There were more  
liberal marriages last year than  
before the war. Divorces have  
increased 2 1/2 times.Finland: Despite the war, Fin-  
land's population has risen by  
300,000. This trend continues in  
view of an increased birth rate  
and few deaths. The survey shows  
that, despite war and war time  
afflictions, the population picture  
in Western Europe is better than  
it has been for some time, though  
the strong upward trends of  
the immediate post-war period  
are beginning to slow down.—  
United Press.

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# CALL FOR CO-OPERATION TO BRITONS BY PRIME MINISTER

## Confident Nation Can Survive Difficulties PRICE RISES EXPECTED

London, October 23.

The Prime Minister, Clement Attlee, told Britons tonight that the nation could survive her economic difficulties only if all people, in whatever capacity, co-operate with a firm will to conquer.

Mr. Attlee spoke before the cotton industry conference at Harrogate, but he refused to reveal anything of the economic speech which he is to make before the House of Commons tomorrow.

He told the conference one of Britain's biggest problems was to pay for food from Canada and he warned manufacturers it was up to them to produce the kind of goods Canadians wanted.

## Jet Airliner In 2,000 Miles Flight

London, October 23.

The world's first jet-propelled airliner, Britain's De Havilland Comet, recently flew 2,000 miles in less than four hours, the "Sunday Times" reported.

The paper said the huge four-engined plane flew at altitudes up to 40,000 feet on a test flight over Europe at an average speed of more than 500 miles an hour.

At the same time, the De Havilland Company said that the details of which have been a closely-guarded secret, would make its maiden overseas flight on Tuesday—the 1,500-mile hop from London to Castel Denit in Libya, North Africa. They said the Comet expected to cover the distance in three to four hours. It will be piloted by Captain John Cunningham and will carry no passengers.

De Havilland spokesmen said the flight would be part of a series of trials.

## GCA Practice

The plane circled London airport several times last night, practicing with the ground control approach system. Tomorrow it will make night-flying trials and will practise landing at London airport. It may also be sent on a test flight to Australia soon.

So far the plane, guarded constantly by security men, has been handled only by De Havilland staff. Informed sources say the Comet has just undergone its first full inspection after being flown for a total of 80 hours.

British aviation observers claim the Comet will make all other commercial passenger ships obsolete. However, American experts say its estimated 500-mph speed makes it impracticable because of its high landing speed. United Press.

Mr. Attlee is expected to meet his Cabinet Ministers at No. 10 Downing Street tonight to go over again with them measures he will announce in the Commons and, later, in a nationwide broadcast.

The Sunday papers forecast that, in cutting his domestic budget by £250,000,000 the Prime Minister would:

1. Slash food subsidies from £460,000,000 to £280,000,000. This would cause a gradual rise in the price of cheese, fats, sugar and meat, and possibly milk and eggs.
2. Defer still higher prices for tobacco and petrol, both bought with dollars.

## Buying Spree

3. Return to clothes rationing, particularly in dollar-bought cotton goods. Anticipating this shoppers went on a buying spree yesterday and stores all over the country reported soaring sales.

4. Establish small fees for spectacles, false teeth and possibly medicine, now distributed free by the nationalised medical service.

5. Set a new school-leaving age of 14 instead of 15 to enlarge the labour force. One educator said this would push British education back 50 years.

Opinion was divided on whether Mr. Attlee would reduce defence expenditures, but most predicted a more restricted draft again to provide the British with more workers.

The independent, conservative "Observer" said cuts in Government expenses would be designed first to reduce the amount of money in circulation; secondly, divert the nation's labour force from domestic activities to the export drive.

## EVATT URGES WORLD UNITY

Sydney, October 23. Dr. Herbert Evatt, the Australian Minister of External Affairs, and former President of the United Nations General Assembly, said here today that the world must learn to live together like family units in national groupings.

Dr. Evatt, who was speaking at a special United Nations Day Church service, said that the United Nations was the beginning of the Parliament of man.

"But, like all great ideals, it will not come to complete fruition unless we work and persevere and refuse to accept or bow to the fallacious doctrine that war is inevitable," he declared.—Reuter.

The "Observer" said: "We shall need bold leadership and a readiness by the government to take politically unpopular measures. We shall also need public comprehension and self-restraint."

"The position is sadly similar to that in the war—but without the stimulus of an enemy, in-carnate and menacing, to drive us on to be enterprising and austere."

Mr. Attlee's speech, however, will be addressed to a temporarily cheerful audience, one which on Sunday had its first taste of meat for several days—two million chops for the whole week or some 12 ounces of beef costing 1s 4d.

Annual consumption of meat per person is now around 70.8 pounds, compared with the pre-war average of 109.6. In 1941 it was 85.6 and in 1944 86.6, thanks to lend-lease.—United Press.

## FAO MEETING TO DISCUSS CO-OPERATIVES

Lucknow, October 23. Dr. Horace Belshaw, who will act as the Secretary General of the Food and Agricultural Organisation's technical meeting on Far Eastern co-operatives which opens here tomorrow, said in a broadcast tonight that the purpose of the conference was to stimulate and provide guidance for a sound co-operative movement in the countries of Asia and the Far East.

A second purpose, he said, was to indicate specifically the kind of action which should be taken. "We expect that recommendations will be made (by the meeting) first, as to what member governments themselves might do to strengthen and develop their co-operative movements; secondly, to indicate ways in which member governments throughout the region may be of actual assistance in the furtherance of this objective; and thirdly, to draw attention to methods by which the FAO and other international organisations may more effectively assist member governments in this task."

Mr. Belshaw indicated that about 40 delegates from Asian nations and Australia, and observers from the Supreme Command of the Allied Powers in Japan and from the International Labour Organisation would attend the conference.—Reuter.

## UN GETS PAT ON THE BACK

London, October 23.

Leader of the British government and its opposition both voiced cautious hope tonight that the United Nations will succeed in keeping peace.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, Labour, and Mr. Winston Churchill, heading the Conservative Party, sent messages to the United Nations Association for Monday's fourth anniversary of the coming into force of the UN Charter.

Mr. Attlee said world public opinion and the charter's high ideals of international morality "have a beneficial influence which we hope will transcend in importance the inevitable disagreements between nations."

He urged that all support the UN "in the conviction that by doing so we shall bring nearer to fulfilment the high hopes of peace which all of us deeply cherish."

## Measure Of Success

Already, he said, in the economic and social field work of great value is being carried out with a substantial measure of success in the UN.

Mr. Churchill, wartime Prime Minister, said he was proud that his government had been among the first sponsors of the original declaration of 26 united nations in 1942. He declared:

"The United Nations must and will succeed provided countries who have signed the charter faithfully abide by its terms, both in the letter and the spirit."

"The horror of war is still vivid in the memory of us all," he said. "The knowledge that we were fighting in a just cause pulled us through those dark days until the battle was won."

"But there is no lasting victory unless it brings peace to all mankind."

Both called for public support of the United Nations Association of which Mr. Churchill noted he is an honorary President.—Associated Press.



MR. ATTLEE

## Arab Nations Move Towards Unified Policy On Issues

Cairo, October 23.

Seven Arab nations meeting here in session appeared decisively to move toward a unified policy on world issues on Saturday night.

Hussein Sirry Pasha, Egypt's Premier, emerging from a three-hour session of the Arab League Political Committee (the second meeting in less than 12 hours), announced that member states agreed upon, and sent to their respective UN representatives specific instructions on the former Italian colonies. He did not amplify.

Sirry Pasha further announced an agreement from the Special Committee to study overall Palestine problems and to report to the League's council.

Another decision taken at the closed meeting was agreement on principle to establish a collective system, a source close to the Egyptian delegation told the Associated Press.

The Political Committee, comprising representatives of the League's members, is in charge of policy procedure. Its recommendations are submitted to the League's council.

## Cautious Optimism

Delegates of Egypt, Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Yemen and Hashemite Jordan, privately expressed a cautious optimism after Saturday night's agreements, which they termed the first constructive moves in the present session.

The agreements came after five days of sharp differences between member states. The climax was reached on Saturday morning when Sirry Pasha, followed by Hussein Heikal Pasha, Egyptian delegation member and chairman of the Liberal Constitutional Party, withdrew from the Council meeting.

They withdrew following the rejection of Heykal Pasha's report calling for decreased authority for the Political Committee, and increased power for the General Council.

The principle collective system was adopted on Egypt's proposal, an Egyptian delegation informant said.

He described the system as providing for the creation of a common member States, the removal of trade barriers between member countries including the reduction of tariffs and inter-Arab co-ordination on all issues affecting member States.

Other provisions include the possibility of unifying postal communications, navigation and civil aviation.

The Political Committee now will draft detailed recommendations to be put before the Council, the informant added.

## Proposal Rejected

The proposal by the Iraqi Premier, Nuri El Said Pasha, that the principle of a collective fight against Communism be adopted, was rejected, the same source said.

He added that Lebanon's Premier, Riad El Solh, led the opposition suggesting that each Arab country fight Communism with its own methods.

On the Arab position regarding the future of the Italian colonies, a senior Arab League source told the Associated Press that Arab UN delegations were instructed to support Egypt's stand whatever Egypt would stand for.

All members, the informant said, recognised that the fate of the former Italian Empire is of vital interest for Egypt and that Egypt should act as the leader of Arab countries on this issue.

The Political Committee adjourned to Tuesday evening.—Associated Press.

## War With Yugoslavia Forecast

Vienna, October 23.

The clandestine Hungarian-language publication, "Magyar Kommunista," today reported that the Soviet satellites, with Hungary as the spearhead, would invade Yugoslavia late this year.

"Magyar Kommunista" said the plan to start a shooting war against the Tito regime was drafted at a secret Cominform conference in Prague in September, "of which we have complete details."

The paper said it learned the following about the plan drafted in Prague:

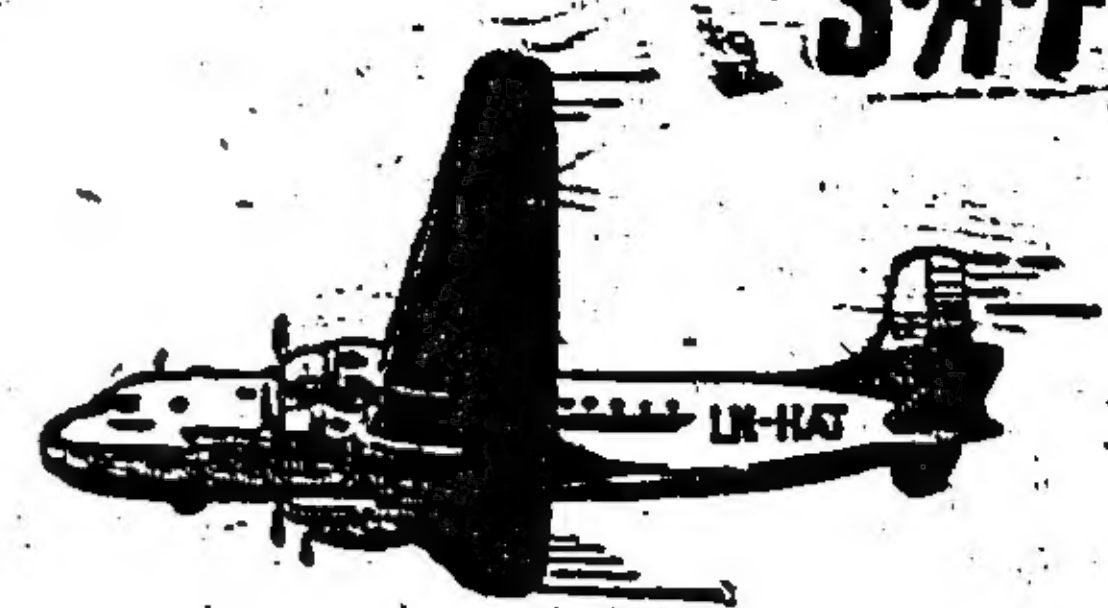
"Until late this year Russia, through Foreign Minister Andrei Vyshinsky, is to aim at having the West indifferent in case of war with Yugoslavia, then at the year's end Hungary, under pretext, is to declare war on Yugoslavia."

"Hungary will be assisted by Bulgaria, Rumania and Albania as actual belligerents, while Czechoslovakia and Poland will dispatch volunteer legions."

The paper said the Russians would stay out of the war completely, with the exception of a few detachments assigned to various army corps. "The non-interference on the part of Russia is to prevent Western reaction to the war."

The paper added that actual war would be preceded by all-out efforts in the United Nations General Assembly by the Russians, aimed at convincing the West that the war with Yugoslavia is a Soviet family affair and does not warrant Western interference.—United Press.

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## NEHRU'S VISIT TO U.S. A COMPLETE SUCCESS; LARGE WELCOME GIVEN

Boston, October 23.

The first stage of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's tour of the United States has been a complete success, and everywhere he has been greeted with a measure of welcome bordering on personal affection.

This has been true both on the official and non-official levels and Pandit Nehru himself has more than once confessed that he has been overwhelmed by the cordiality and friendship shown towards him.

It was quite clear from the manner in which Mr. Nehru admitted this feeling that he was genuinely effected by the sincerity of the welcome given to him and by the laudatory terms in which his achievements had been described.

Throughout the tour his stature as "a world figure", his championship of the colonial and underprivileged peoples, and above all, his transparent sincerity have been stressed by speakers and by newspapers.

Those who have seen most of the world's great figures welcomed to the United States said that they have never seen a more uniformly warm and enthusiastic reception.

His popularity has been such that it has proved extremely difficult to keep to the schedule framed for him. His presence has been in demand everywhere, and he has done his best to meet as many associations, groups and individuals as he can.

Mr. Nehru's well-known vitality and energy have been taxed to the utmost in meeting the demands on him, and he has repeatedly agreed to sandwich further engagements into his already strenuous schedule.

### Audience Gripped

On some days he has spoken as many as half a dozen times at governmental or semi-governmental functions, and always he has gripped his audiences. In every case where he was speaking, the demand for seats has been so great that hundreds had to be turned away disappointed. Some people paid the full fee just to sit and listen to him speak from outside the hall.

In the midst of all the activity, Mr. Nehru has kept several secretaries busy with his routine duties with which he has kept in constant touch. Frequently, his engagements have kept him busy until midnight, and then he has dealt with affairs of State until

early in the morning, yet rising early to begin his next day's programme.

Through it all, Mr. Nehru has remained fresh in spirit and body, where younger men would have been in difficulties. In his speeches, Mr. Nehru has made it clear that it was essentially a goodwill visit, and a fulfilment of a long-standing desire to visit the United States, and to understand its people.

His expressed feeling has been that an understanding of the United States is essential for any statesman who is dealing with world affairs.

With his tour only half finished, he has already met with a substantial cross-section of American opinion.

### Praises U.S.

Although he has repeatedly said that it is not possible for any one country to accept in toto the ideas of another, he has paid a tribute to the culture of the United States by stating that the material progress which America has achieved would not have been possible without a basic and deep moral background. Before the start of the tour there had been some speculation and some wishful thinking in certain quarters in the United States to connect Mr. Nehru's visit with the possibility that he would in some way or another align himself with the West in the cold war.

But Mr. Nehru has scotched such an idea by saying publicly that he was not here for any political purpose, and that all speculation that he would align himself with one side or the other was a misconception.

He said that many of the current world problems had arisen since President Truman's invitation to him had been extended last year. Specifically, he has stated that his visit is aimed at cementing closer Indian-American relations, but that India is too self-respecting a nation to ask for any one-sided advantage. Any assistance that the United States can give, he said, must be on the basis of mutual benefit.

### Three Points

In this regard, he has listed three things America can do: (1) Help solve India's food problem by supplying India with some surplus United States wheat; (2) Providing India with technical know-how for completing her multi-purpose projects, by which India hoped to make herself self-sufficient in food; and (3) By investment of American capital in India on terms of equality. Mr. Nehru's outspoken and frank analysis of the India position has been extremely well received in every important quarter.

The new interest created in the financial and industrial world

of America, according to competent observers, can be expected to result in an increased flow of American capital into India. Plans for this have for some time been in readiness in American business and industrial circles.

Mr. Nehru's visits, however, have not been confined merely to official functions. He has taken every opportunity to meet labour leaders, literary figures, and, in particular, Indian residents and students wherever he has been. Thus he ordered his programme in New York to fit in a visit to Boston where there are about 100 Indian students taking technological courses.

The reception Mr. Nehru has been given by the American people has created a most heart-warming effect among the Indian community.

This is regarded as a very good harbinger for the closer relations between the two countries that Mr. Nehru desires.

### Political Sympathy

The New York "Times" said today in a review of Pandit Nehru's visit to America that there was considerable political sympathy for India in Washington and a disposition to try to help the Indian Prime Minister to solve the great problems of his country.

"The feeling in American diplomatic circles is that eventually India will arrive at a point where she cannot stay on the fence in the East-West conflict, and that at that point she will choose to stand with the Western democracies," the newspaper said. "Thus, there is considerable political sympathy for India in Washington, and a disposition to try to help Mr. Nehru to solve his country's problems."

"These problems are great. India is a nation of 342,000,000 people, the great majority of whom have an annual income of \$50. To raise the standard of living the Indian Government wants to put into effect a vast programme of industrialization and agricultural rehabilitation. Mr. Nehru said this week that his country looks to the United States for three things: food, especially wheat, technical help, and financial investments on terms to be agreed upon."

"In Washington it is felt that these needs can be partially met, and that there can be no world peace without the co-operation between the East and West."

## HAWAII STRIKERS SIGN AGREEMENT

Honolulu, October 23.

Hawaiian waterfront employers and leaders of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union CIO signed a back-to-work agreement today, ending the maritime industry's longest strike.

Today's action wound up once and for all the 176-day-old walkout and Island longshoremen are expected to resume normal operations on Tuesday morning. The new pact, calling for progressive wage increases reaching 21 cents per hour by March 1, 1950, was ratified by the union on October 7, but formal signing was held up for two weeks for settlement of minor issues. United Press.

## Greco-Yugoslav Agreement Is Possible

Lake Success, October 23.

The report of the Balkan Conciliation Committee released today said that the Yugoslav representative informed them that there might be a possibility of a separate agreement with Greece.

The Committee was appointed to seek a settlement of the conflict between Greece and Albania, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia.

The report revealed that on the question of her Greek border, Albania, backed by Russia, insisted that a prerequisite to peace was the recognition of existing boundaries.

The other chief objection voiced by Albania and Bulgaria was to the Committee's suggestion that a neutral chairman should be appointed for mixed border commissions.

The report will be debated by the Assembly's Political Committee tomorrow. —Reuter.

## Canadian Welcome For Nehru

Ottawa, October 23.

Prime Minister L. S. St. Laurent welcomed Indian Premier Jawaharlal Nehru as an emissary of peace from the East whose visit to the Western Hemisphere should contribute to better world understanding.

St. Laurent told reporters after the formalities of welcoming the Indian leader, "We know that to have peace in the world we must have peace in the whole world." He said he believed that Mr. Nehru's visit would help bring about realization of better understanding in the world and particularly between the East and West.

Premier St. Laurent said the peoples of the Western world are beginning to realise the importance of that sub-continent of Asia called India and "we certainly know" that there can be no world peace without the co-operation between the East and West.

### "Great Honour"

The Canadian Premier told the press, "It is a great honour and privilege for me to welcome to this country His Excellency and his charming sister and daughter."

Premier Nehru, Premier St. Laurent and other members of the Canadian official parties left Rockcliffe airport shortly after 6 p.m. They were in a cavalcade of three official cars. Mr. Nehru was taken directly to Rideau Hall (Government House) where he was welcomed on the steps by Governor General Viscount Alexander and Lady Alexander.

Premier Nehru, with his sister Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit and daughter, Indira, will stay at Rideau Hall until they are to leave for Chicago on Wednesday morning. —United Press.

## Soviet Papers Indicate Russia To Stay In UN

Moscow, October 23.

Soviet newspaper editorials today gave the strongest indication that Russia intends to remain within the United Nations in spite of Yugoslavia's election to the Security Council. Both "Pravda" and "Izvestia" quoted several past declarations by Marshal Stalin and M. Molotov about the importance of the United Nations Organisation in defending peace and the principle of equality of States.

Marshal Stalin was quoted as saying that the United Nations is a serious instrument for the preservation of peace and international security.

"Pravda" declared that the strength of the United Nations lay in its foundation on the principle of equality of states, and not on the principle of the domination of some states over others.

"The Soviet Union's policy invariably seeks to guarantee the United Nations an opportunity to apply this principle," the paper added.

The powers of the Anglo-American bloc, who aim at undermining the United Nations, follow a diametrically opposed course. "Pravda" said. It declared that the secret deal between Yugoslavia and the United States laid bare to a still greater extent the "shameful role played by the despicable Tito gang."

### Important Instrument

"Izvestia" declared: "The peace-loving peoples believe that the United Nations, despite the warmongers' efforts, is an important instrument for preserving peace and international security."

"Pravda" added: "The identical aim—that of undermining the Security Council or transforming it into an obedient tool of the Anglo-American bloc—is pursued likewise in the repeated efforts made by the United States to abolish the unanimity rule, which forms the cardinal and guiding principle of the activity of the Security Council."

"The same purpose was likewise pursued in the vain attempt to breathe life into such a still-born organisation as the unlawfully formed Interim Committee, which the United States would like to substitute for the Security Council," "Pravda" said.

"Izvestia" also commented that the "opponents of the United Nations are obviously over-estimating their own strength and under-estimating the strength of the partisans of peace who, headed by the Soviet Union and the people's democracies, oppose the policy of kindling war, which is pursued by the American and British ruling circles." —Reuter.

## RUSSIA IGNORES JEWISH PLEA

Tel-Aviv, October 23.

The Foreign Minister, Dr. Moshe Sharett, said today that Israel had applied to Russia for a loan so far without success. Answering criticism that Israel is passing its hat around only in the Western world, Dr. Sharett told a mass labour gathering that "It is no fault of ours that the Russians apparently are unable to accede to our demand for credit."

He said the new state had received a US\$100,000,000 from the United States, a sizable one from Belgium, and is now negotiating with Switzerland. —United Press.

## APPEAL PLANNED FOR GREEK CHILDREN

New York, October 23.

An appeal for nationwide support of a campaign to return to Greece 28,000 children removed from the country by the Communist guerilla forces in the Greek civil war, has been issued by acting Archbishop Germanos of the Greek Orthodox Church of North and South America and American Hellenic organisations.

At a press conference in the headquarters of the Archdiocese, attended by representatives of various Greek Church and fraternal organisations, Bishop Germanos stated the campaign was a humanitarian work and not a political matter.

He appealed for public support of the campaign and endorsed the following statement issued by the united organisations.

Representatives of the Federation of Greek Orthodox churches in greater New York, the Order of Ahepa, the Order of Gapa, the Federation of Hellenic Societies and the Greek American Veterans Association, were present at the press conference and James B. Stuart, President of the Church Federation, said more than one million and a half persons of Greek descent in this country were united behind the campaign.

The matter will be presented to the UN, Stuart said, and it is planned to set October 28 as a national protest day and to have Greek children parade that day outside a UN General Assembly meeting either at Elmhurst or Lake Success to publicise the campaign.

Stuart said the 28,000 boys and girls, between the ages of 7 and 18, were taken from their homes by the Communist forces, removed from Greece and placed in concentration camps in Yugoslavia, Albania, Poland, Bulgaria and Czechoslovakia where they were being indoctrinated with Communism.

The boys are being trained as soldiers of other countries, he said. In some cases, the parents were slain when the children were abducted, Stuart said, and in cases where relatives are not available to bring the children up, the Greek government will accept the responsibility. —Associated Press.

## Heavy Gales, Rain Lash Channel

London, October 23.

Gales and heavy rains lashed the English Channel today and last night, breaching the main dyke at Boulogne and flooding a bomb-ravaged stretch of the waterfront.

Giant waves cascaded over the low promenade and smashed in a 10-yard section of the protecting wall, but no casualties were reported.

Calais fishermen stood by to help at the next high tide. Two nearby villages were flooded when the rain, burst its bank, and flooding a bomb-ravaged stretch of the waterfront.

Elsewhere along North Europe's coast, autumn storms took their toll of shipping.

The 1140-ton Swedish ship, Ketty, which sprang a leak in a storm off the Frisian Islands, sank in IJmuiden Harbour, Holland, after two tugs had towed her in.

The 115-ton German motor auxiliary vessel Gesa sank near the mouth of the river Weser and Elbe, but the crew was saved.

### Fishermen Drowned

At Le Grouais, Brittany, the bodies of four of five men from a fishing vessel, which had been missing since Thursday, were washed ashore. The boat was believed to have drifted on to a reef after an engine breakdown.

Rainstorms spread over Britain today, with gales and high seas pounding the coasts.

After the coldest night since last winter, the sea broke over the promenade at Hastings, Sussex, and poured through the streets in the shopping centre. Many people had to wade knee-deep to get to their homes.

Whipped by a gale which hit the Straits of Dover, great seas 40 to 50 feet high broke over buildings on the front of Sandgate, near Folkestone, Kent, leaving a trail of wreckage.

The waves washed through some houses, coming in from the front door and going out at the back.

Residents at Hythe, Kent, put up sandbag defences outside their houses.

### Moscow Lucky

In Moscow, the weather was more like summer than October. The sun shone brightly in a blue sky and the air was cool and invigorating, as it has been since the beginning of the month.

Muscovites were out in the parks and gardens and took advantage of the fine weather to hold garden festivals in many districts of the city. —Reuter.

## Persecution Of Jews In Iraq Claimed

Tel-Aviv, October 23.

Israel has asked Britain and the United States to intervene against the renewed wave of persecution of Jews in Iraq, a Foreign Office spokesman said tonight.

The spokesman alleged that the last wave of persecution began three weeks ago on the Day of Atonement. The police had then violated the sanctity of the synagogue at Amara, South of Baghdad, where 10 Jews were arrested, including the head of the community.

Later, they were tortured by the best Nazi methods in an effort to make them confess that they belonged to a Zionist movement, he added.

The spokesman said that the arrest of further searches and arrests which continued, on an ever-increasing scale, he said.

The police have broken into schools, arresting teachers and pupils.

The Government of Israel denounces the conduct of the Iraq Government towards Jewish citizens as a brazen example of racial hatred and evil persecution of man, and an act liable to render the flames of conflict in the Middle East in the armistice period, he declared. —Reuter.



## French Cabinet Crisis:

## BIDAULT TO TRY TO FORM NEW CABINET

Paris, October 23.

M. Georges Bidault, former French Foreign Minister, tonight became France's third Premier-designate in 18 days.

As leader of the Popular Republican Party, he was consulting Parliamentary leaders after accepting a mandate from the President M. Vincent Auriol, to try to form a new government.

Meanwhile, many political observers considered that a serious situation had arisen, making elections in the near future inevitable.

Earlier today, M. Edouard Herriot, Speaker of the French Assembly, failed in a last-minute bid to reconcile the view of Socialists and Radicals to enable the Radical finance expert, M. René Mayer, to form a government.

M. Mayer abandoned negotiations for a Cabinet early today after five days of inter-Party conferences.

**No Agreement**  
The Speaker, several times Premier before the war, met M. Mayer and M. Henri Queuille, outgoing Prime Minister, for the Radicals, and M. Guy Mollet and M. Charles Lussy, for the Socialists, but failed to get agreement.

Earlier, it was rumoured that M. Herriot would be called on to form a government of national safety and dissolution.

It was learned late today that M. Bidault has agreed to offer himself to Parliament as Premier without preliminary consultations with Party leaders.

In Le Mans, General Charles de Gaulle, leader of the Right-wing rally of the French people, in a speech today—the 18th day of the French Government crisis—called for a strong government in France.

**Call For Unity**  
Speaking at the unveiling of a Resistance monument, he said that neither Communists nor people who accepted the 1940 armistice could be excluded from French unity.

"Nothing is more necessary than to put at the head of the country a government which shall be just and strong and to rally our people for its renovation," he said.

Appealing for an end of the purge of collaborators, General de Gaulle said, "For the nation the moment has come to close in the book of its hard history the chapter of severity and open that of clemency."

General de Gaulle also declared, "Once more France is threatened, she must look to the future."—Reuter.

**Bookshops In Prague Besieged**  
Prague, October 23.

Publicity in a broadcast from Britain on Friday night brought a rush of customers to Prague bookshops this week-end seeking copies of Karel Capek's play about dictatorship, "Power and Glory."

But would-be buyers found that the book, quoted in a broadcast to Czechoslovakia by Sir Robert Bruce Lockhart, was unavailable except on an underground black market at high prices.

Capek's works are not now being published.

Jaroslav Kisek, author of "Gold Soldier Schweik," is also almost completely out of circulation. Buyers look for copies of the works of these two Czech classical authors in second-hand bookshops, but this month the Government is to take over all such premises, incorporate them in a monopoly organisation and ban the private sale of second-hand books.

Other authors no longer generally available here are the late President Eduard Benes and the late Foreign Minister, Dr. Jan Masaryk, whose memoirs were taken off the shelves last year.—Reuter.

## Aircraft Stuck In Mud At Shannon

Shannon Airport, Eire.

October 23.  
A chartered Viking aircraft which brought 31 Turkish women here from Istanbul was tonight firmly embedded in the mud where it finished after running off the landing strip earlier today.

None of the passengers or the five crew-men were injured. The women were taken to a former Irish ship to her new owners in Istanbul, went on to Cork by road. The chief aeronautical officer of Eire's Department of Industry and Commerce is to come here tomorrow to inquire into the freak accident.—Reuter.

## Refugees Reach Canada

Montreal, October 23.

Scores of Jewish refugees who fled Hitler's Nazism a decade ago, have reached Montreal, refugees this time from Communism in Shanghai.

A spokesman for the Jewish Immigrant Aid Society said very few of the 129 will be allowed to remain. The others will be allowed to remain in homes in Montreal until immigration authorities decide to which countries they will be sent.

Ten years ago, most of them—there are young children in the group now—left homes in Germany, Austria, Poland and the Ukraine to escape the Nazis.

By devious routes, they finally reached Shanghai, engaging, in everyday jobs and professions. Then the Chinese Communists swept into Shanghai.

Refugees again, the Jewish families moved once more—across the Pacific to Canada, their final destination still unknown.

Sponsored by the Canadian Jewish Congress, the group entered Canada.

The refugees said the Communists allowed them to bring their personal belongings. There had been no organised persecution in the Nazi tradition "but we were not allowed to earn a living."—Associated Press.

## CHILDREN FOIL SPY PLOT

Prague, October 23.

Three thousand Prague children aged 12 to 14 today played a defence game to foil a group of plotters against the State.

They made a survey of the countryside and denounced to the security police and the Army, any plotters observed, according to an official announcement.

The children proved that they had learned well to read maps, use telephones and radio transmitters under the direction of older members of the Youth Movement and apprise the situation correctly, it added.—Reuter.

Berlin, October 23.

The British licensed Socialist democrat said today that an armed convoy of 1200 East German peoples police have been sent to strengthen Bulgarian armed forces on the Yugoslav frontier.

The newspaper published a despatch from Frankfurt on Oder in the Russian zone saying that the convoy had 16 anti-tank guns, 8 heavy anti-aircraft guns, small arms and field pieces and was led by two Russian officers.—Associated Press.

## CANTONESE BY RADIO

By S.K. LEE

Lesson 43 (B)

## Vocabulary.

491. (lik) (3)lik.  
492. (k'an) (1)kum.  
493. (ngak) nguk(1).  
494. (hang) hung(2).  
495. (tsob) (3)dzaw.  
496. (pong) bong(1).  
497. (chan) jun(1).

## Combinations.

9. (2)Yau (3)lik.  
10. (2)Mah (3)lik.  
11. Choot(1) (3)lik.  
12. (1)Kum (3)lik.  
13. (3)Dzaw shau(2).  
14a. Bong(1) (3)dzaw (or).  
14b. Bong(1) (1)mong.  
15. Jun(1) (3)hal.  
General Expressions:  
7. Haan(1) (3)green.  
8. Shaang(1) (3)woot.  
9. Daam(1) sum(1).  
10. (1)Shing (3)shut.  
11. Son(3) (3)young.  
12. (2)Yau son(3)-(3)young.  
13. (3)Dzom (3)lik.

Strength. Power. Energy.  
Industrious.  
To deceive. To cheat.  
To assent. To consent. Willing.  
To assist.  
To help.  
True. Real.

Powerful. Strong.  
Horse power.  
To exert one's strength.  
Industrious. Diligent.  
An assistant.  
To help. To assist. To aid.  
To help. To assist. To aid.  
Truly. Really.

Thrifty. Economical.  
Living. Life. Way of life.  
To worry.  
Honest. Sincere.  
Credit. Trust.  
Trustworthy.  
To do the utmost.  
To make an effort.

## The Wong's Family (Continued).

12. (1)Wong seen(1)-shaang(1) Mr. Wong has been industrious and thrifty during his whole life, consequently he has some money in hand.  
(2)Yau (3)young.  
(1)kum-(3)lik, (3)yau haan(1)-(3)green, shau(2).  
(2)Yee shau(2)-(3)Shueng (2)Yau dee(1) tsean(2).  
(1)Yee-gah(1), (2)kui-geh(2) shaang(1)-(3)woot gau(3) shue(1)-(3)fook, (1)shai shai(2) daam(1)-sum(1).  
(2)Kui (1)m shai(2) daam(1)-sum(1) (2)moh-duk(1) (3)shuk (3)waak-jeh(2) (2)moh-duk(1) jeuk(3).  
(2)Kui hoh(2) (1)shing-shut.  
(2)Kui (1)m nguk(1) (1)Yum.  
(2)Kui hoh(2), (2)Yau-son(3)-(3)young.  
(1)Yun(1)-wai gom(2)-yeung(2), gau(3)-zaw(3)-(1)Yun doh(1) son(3)-duk(1)-gaw(3) (2)kui lok(3).  
(2)Kui hoh(2) hung(2) bong(1)-(3)dzaw (1)Yum.  
(2)Tong(2)-(3)yeuk (2)Yau-(1)Yun (1)kau (2)kui bok(1)-(3)dzaw, (2)kui yut(1)-(3)ding (3)dzon-lik bong(1)-(1)mong.  
(1)Yun-(1)Yun doh(1) (3)wah: "(2)Kui jun(1)-(3)hai hoh(2) (1)Yun lok(3)." (To be continued).

## World Bank Head On Development Of India

Aboard the ss. Amsterdam,

New York Harbour, October 23.

Eugene R. Black, president of the World Bank, told members of the New York State Banks Association holding their annual convention aboard this luxury ocean liner, "I can think of few more important or challenging tasks for the Bank than that of assisting development of India."

Departing from the usual practice of describing the Bank's operations in general terms and alluding only briefly to specific projects in which it participated, Mr. Black devoted almost his entire address to description of India's economy and the way in which the Bank assisted in launching the vast economic development programme designed to make India self-sufficient in food production and improve its internal transportation system to facilitate industrialisation and distribution of goods for home consumption and export.

Observing that loans to India were not without some risk, Mr. Black said the risks were of a character worth taking. He said one of the present difficulties was the devaluation question, on which India and Pakistan differ and which inevitably affects the value of India's jute exports.

He said if these differences continued, "they...could seriously injure the Indian jute processing industry." However, he added, it is inconceivable that two countries so mutually dependent could not iron out their differences in the near future.

Mr. Black chose India as his text at a time when the Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, was beginning his tour of great industrial and agricultural centres of this nation.

Mr. Black said India was a vast country, newly independent, with many economic problems to solve, and yet it holds out great promise for the future.

He emphasized that, aside from political problems bound to impede progress in a newly-independent country, India's economic problems in many respects resembled problems of other countries around the world.

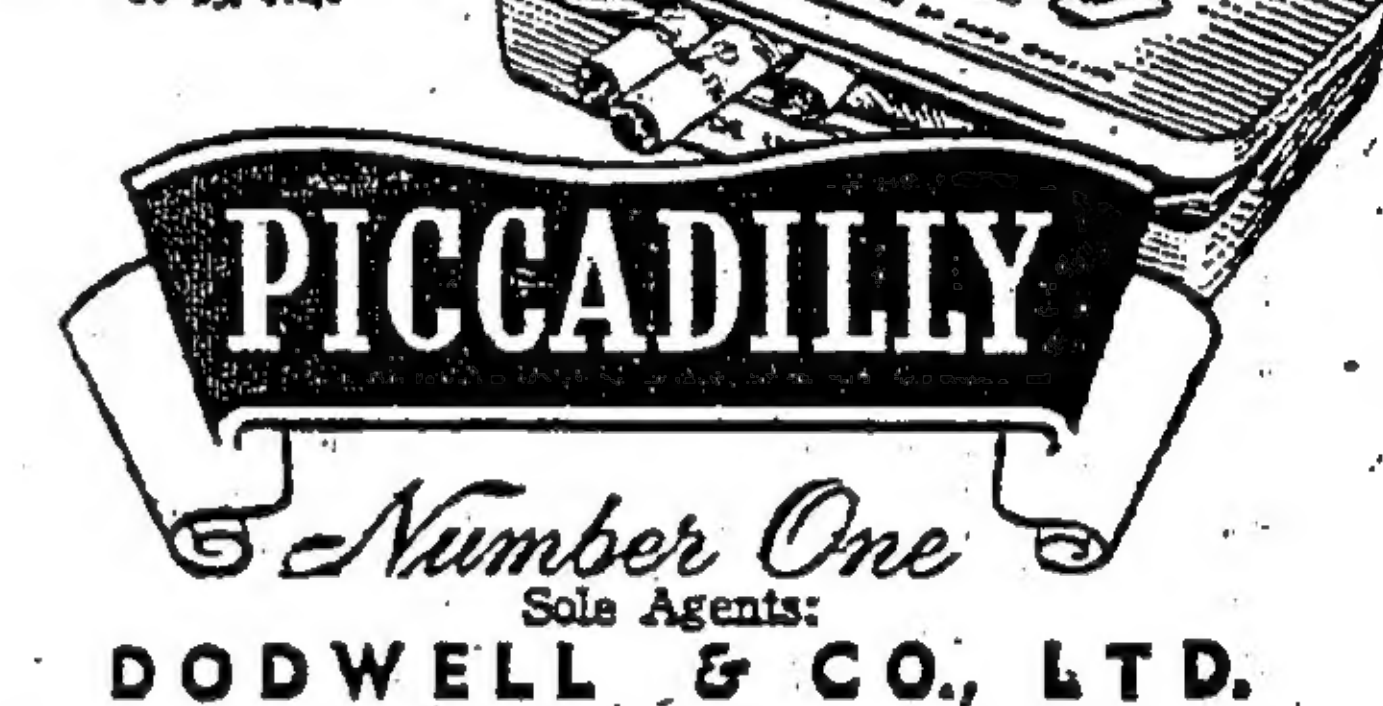
He noted India's tremendous sterling balance, which is the equivalent now of approximately US\$1,500,000,000 or £600,000,000 sterling.—United Press



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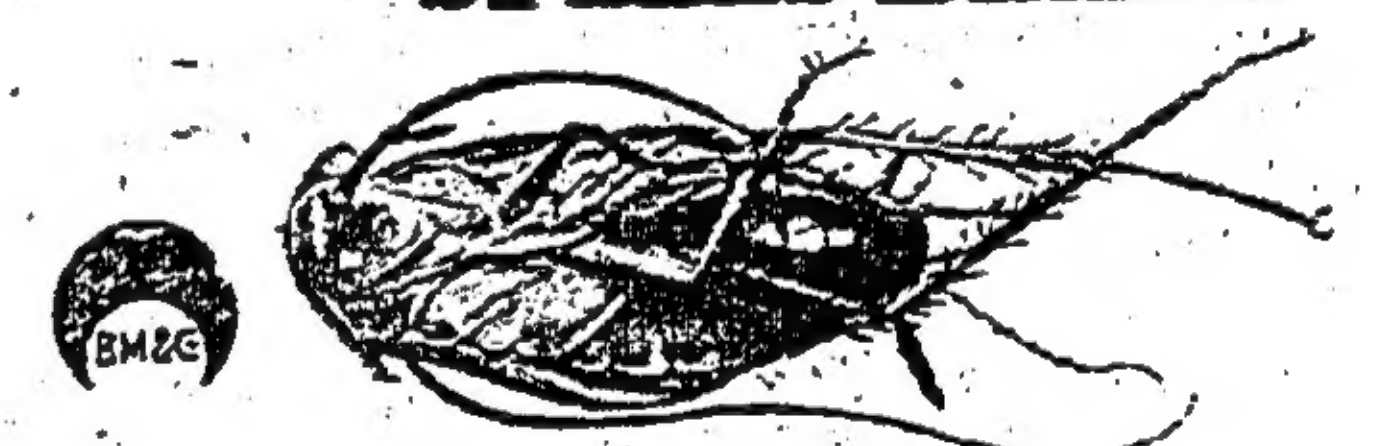
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## SOVIET SCIENTISTS TO CONDUCT RESEARCH IN ANTARCTIC AREAS

Washington, October 23.

A group of Soviet scientists who will conduct research in the Antarctic left Odessa early this month with a Russian whaling fleet, it was reported here today.

According to the report, the group will engage in considerably scientific research of an unspecified nature.

The report is received with special interest here because of previous Soviet public statements that there is reason to believe that uranium is to be found in Antarctica. These statements were followed by the official Russian warning that Moscow would not recognise any international agreement concerning the future of the South Polar region to which the Soviet Union is not a party.

United States officials believe that Russia is about to lay claim to a segment of the Antarctic continent on the basis of early 19th century exploration by Russian warships commanded by Captain Fabian von Bellingshausen a German in the service of the Czar Alexander I.

## First Discovered

The Russians claim that Bellingshausen was the first actually to touch the Antarctic continent. The area of Bellingshausen's explorations—presumably an area of any nation's claim—lies directly below South America, already an area of conflicting claims by Britain, Argentina and Chile.

It also extends a small distance into an unclaimed area which has been intensively explored by American expeditions and presumably would be claimed by the United States.

Rear Admiral Richard Byrd, American Antarctic explorer, recently said that information had reached him that Russian ships and planes had visited Antarctica. Presumably Admiral Byrd referred to activities carried out by the Soviet ships which have visited the Polar waters each winter in the past four years. Officials here understand that these fleets had been equipped with helicopters.—United Press.

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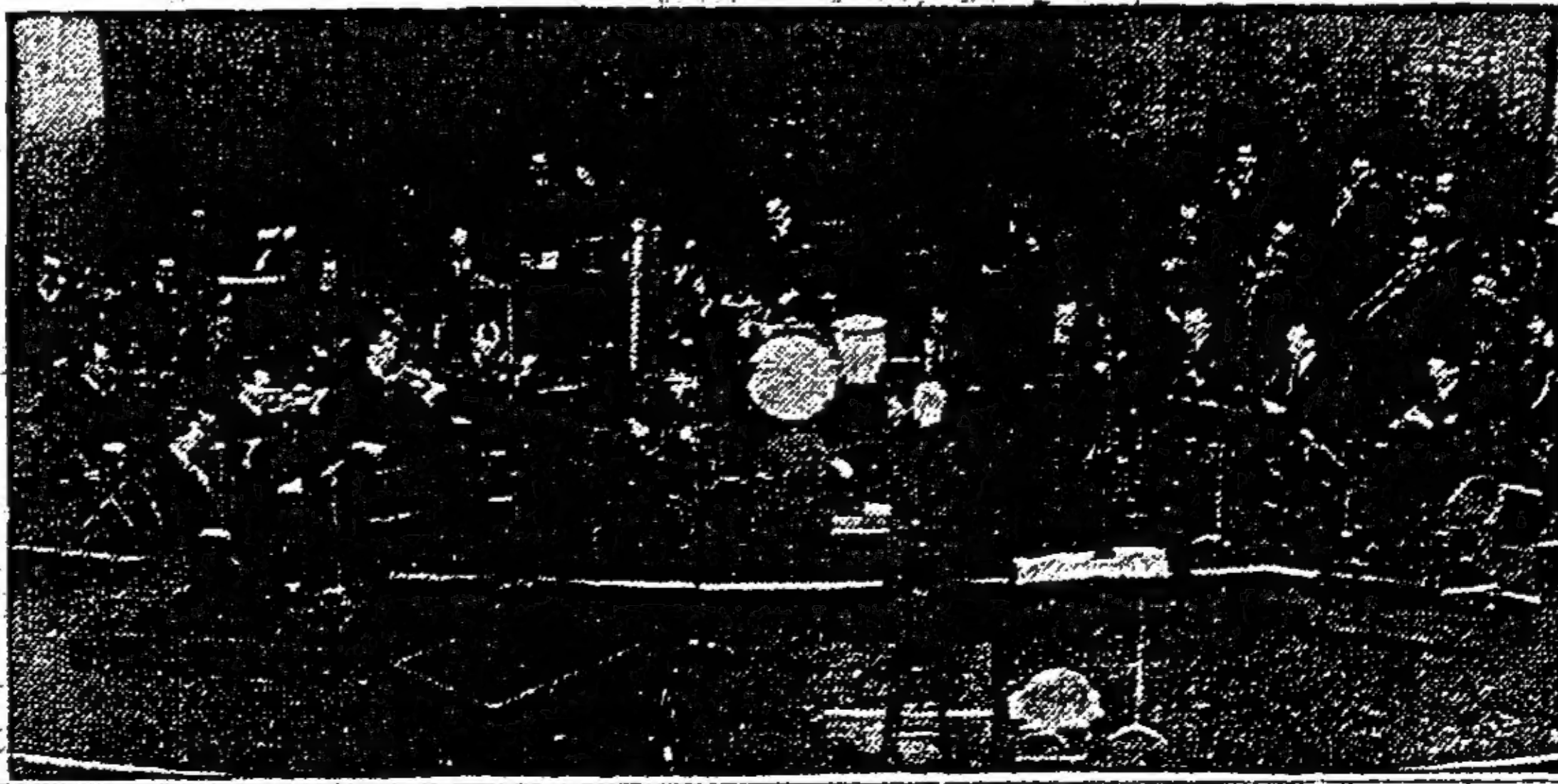
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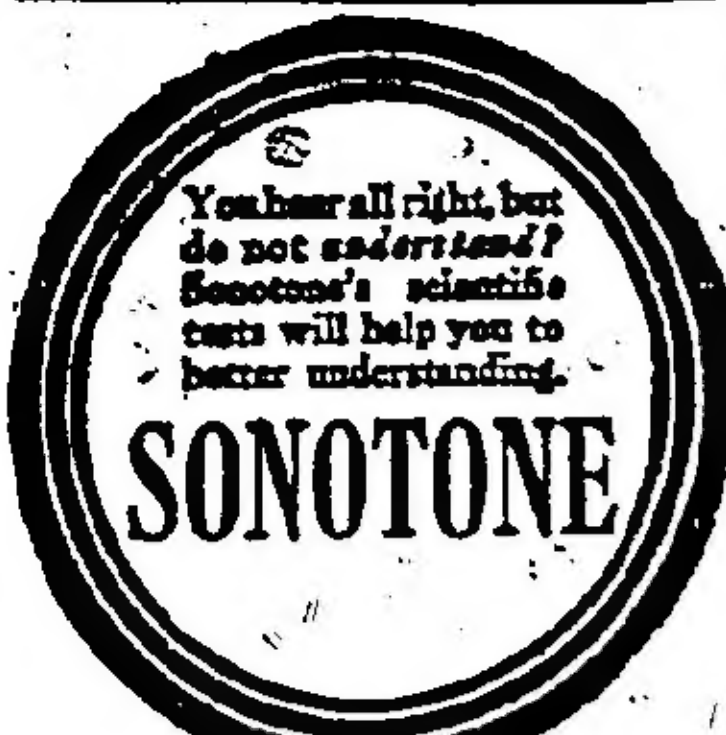
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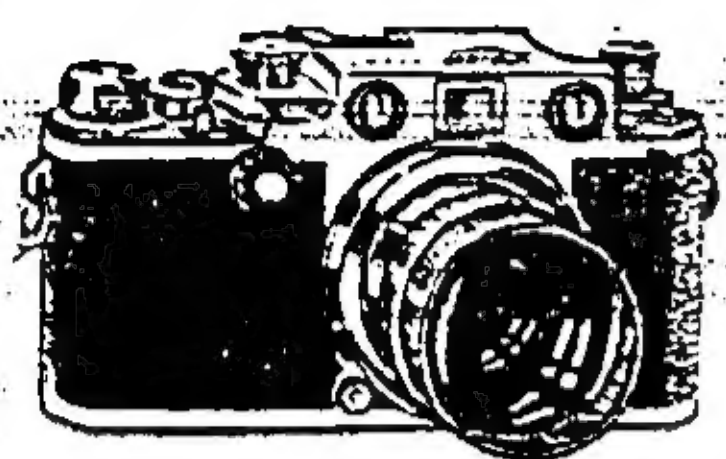
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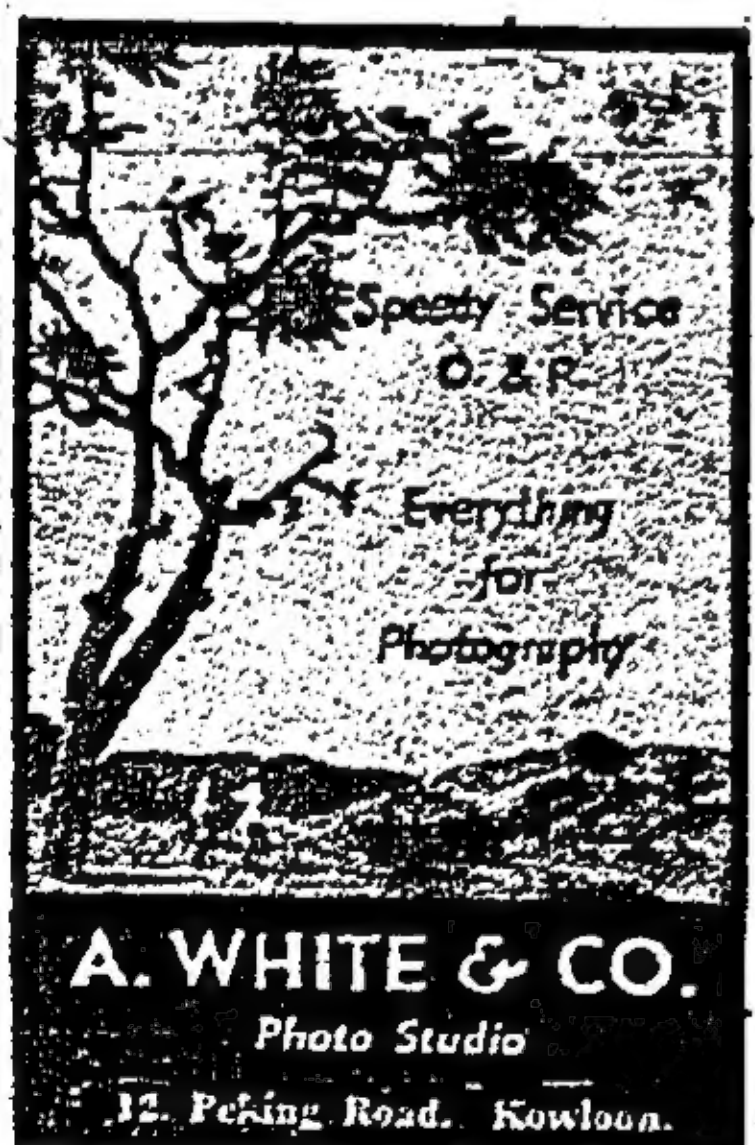
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Ilse Koch, steps from a police car at Aichach Prison, where she will stay until she faces charges, probably early next year, on crimes against humanity. These charges have been prepared by German authorities. The last four years she has spent in the U.S. Army prison at Landsberg after sentenced by War Crimes court on charges of crimes against Allied nationals.—Associated Press Photo.

## Iraq Prepares To Fight Communism

Baghdad, October 23.

The combatting of Communism as a national policy forms part of a 10-point charter on which its author, Premier Nouri el-Said, has recently been actively consulting with prominent Iraqi political figures, including party leaders.

The details were revealed in an exchange of letters between the Prime Minister and the right-wing Independence Party, published in the latter's newspaper, "Liwe Al-Istiqlal."

Communism is implicitly named in the Charter as a dangerous doctrine, and it has been indicated that Iraqi co-operation will be extended to other countries in the fight against it. The text calls for the launching of a campaign backed by effective measures to remove the dangers of Communism from Iraq in particular and the Arab world in general.

Zionism is also to be combatted, says the document, along with subversive elements under any guise whatsoever.

Unconstitutional acts aimed at weakening or overthrowing the government are to be opposed by all legal ways and means, it further provided.

### Extent Of Support

The charter, drawn up at the beginning of the summer, is being pressed forward by its author for opinion with a view to ascertaining the extent of support for the general principles it contains.

The object, Nouri Pasha states in an accompanying note, is to achieve stability through the unity of all classes of the Iraqi public for the accomplishment of reforms and the achievement of economic progress.

The Independent Party's reply indicated agreement in principle to this document which, along with punitive measures against all subversive elements, prescribes preventive action by safeguarding the rights of artisans, workmen, and farm la-

bourers, and effectively raising their standard of living.

Development plans under the Charter include large-scale irrigation projects and such industries as can draw for raw materials from local resources. The Charter also calls for promotion of co-operative societies and encouragement of the small-holding system in the exploitation of Miri (government owned) land.

Under the Charter, Iraq's relations with the other Arab countries are based on consolidated brotherly ties and good understanding through a strengthened Arab League.

Plans for extending inter-Arab relationships into all fields are to be pressed forward. It is further stated, to assure the progress, prosperity and unity of the Arab nations, restoring their glory and enabling them to assume a fit place among the civilized nations of the world.

The documents finally calls for unity of all national forces on a foreign policy which would assure Iraq complete independence and sovereignty. "Until this policy is finally established," it concluded, "the implementation of the Treaty of Alliance of 1930 will be carried out in letter and in spirit."

The last point refers to the Anglo-Iraqi Treaty at present in force, intimating at the same time, that a new treaty is likely to figure for negotiations in the future on the basis of Iraq's complete independence and national sovereignty.—United Press.

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## Last Jewish Settlement Is Returned

Haifa, October 23.

The last Jewish settlement in Arab hands—Mishmar Hayarden, on the Syrian border—was handed back on Saturday completely razed, returning settlers said today.

They said that they would live in tents over the ruins and that rebuilding would start during the winter. The settlers added that houses and also a synagogue and a bridge over the Jordan had been destroyed and the building materials carried away.

Two houses which were standing three days ago had been blown up before the last Syrians withdrew, they added.

Some of the settlers belong to the Irgun Zvai Leumi, the former terrorist organization, now a political party.

Others are American immigrants trained in Israel. Under the armistice terms Mishmar Hayarden is in a demilitarized zone and is not allowed to be fortified or protected by military forces.

Under an order issued by the Military Governor of Western Galilee, anyone caught assisting Arabs to enter Israel is liable to exile and confiscation of all his property.

The minimum punishment for attempting to help illegal immigration is two years and a \$2,000 fine.—Reuter.

## Foul Play Suspected In Disappearance Of U.S. Woman

Philadelphia, October 23.

A little girl's story of her mother's strange abduction was the only clue today in the mysterious disappearance of the blonde 40-year-old Mrs. Dorothy Forstein, who was the victim of an unsolved brutal beating five years ago.

Nine-year-old Marcy Forstein, who stuck to her fantastic story of kidnapping until the police believed her, watched her favorite television programmes unaware that investigators fear, that her mother met with foul play.

The child insisted that a sister, there also is another strange man carried her pajama-clad mother from their home on Wednesday night after patting Marcy on the head and telling her "Go back to sleep, little one."

Marcy told her father what happened when he arrived home shortly after Mrs. Forstein's disappearance but he thought that the tale was just the child's imagination. The police also discounted the story until last night when all attempts to find the missing woman failed. They took Marcy to a psychiatrist who said she was apparently telling the truth. A nationwide alarm was sent out.

The city magistrate said today he did not know what to believe. The distraught husband received more than 50 telephone calls since his wife's disappearance but said they provided no lead in the mystery. Marcy and her five-year-old brother are being cared for at home by Forstein's

### Kicked And Beaten

When Marcy first told the account of the kidnapping, Forstein said he thought she referred to an earlier incidence in which her mother was kicked and beaten in their living room by a mysterious assailant who was never found.

Nothing was stolen and the police could not discover how the intruder got into the house. At that time the police expressed the belief that the attack was motivated by a revenge against the magistrate. Mrs. Forstein was seriously injured in the attack and suffered a fractured jaw and nose. Her husband was absent from the spot at the time.

Marcy refused to budge, under questioning, from her version of her mother's disappearance. She said she was asleep in her bedroom and she heard the front

door open. She got up and went into the hall in time to see a man coming up stairs.

Marcy said she walked right into mother's bedroom in front of the house. Mother was lying on the floor on her face. She looked ill. The man turned her over on her back, picked her up and put her over his right shoulder so that her head hung over his back. She had pajamas on.

The child said she asked the man what he was doing and he told her to go back to bed. Then he left the house with mother and Marcy heard a lock on the door snap. She said she tried to sleep but could not and 15 minutes later father came home.

The police, describing the missing woman, said she was known to be suffering from very high nervous strain.—United Press.

### NO PLANS TO VISIT INDIA

Washington, October 23.

President Truman said here he has no plans for visiting India to return the visit of Pandit Nehru. The president was asked if Nehru had invited him to return the visit.

The President said of course Nehru had invited him to visit India, just as every visiting leader does after a call on Washington. But, he added, he does not have any plans for making such a visit.—Associated Press.

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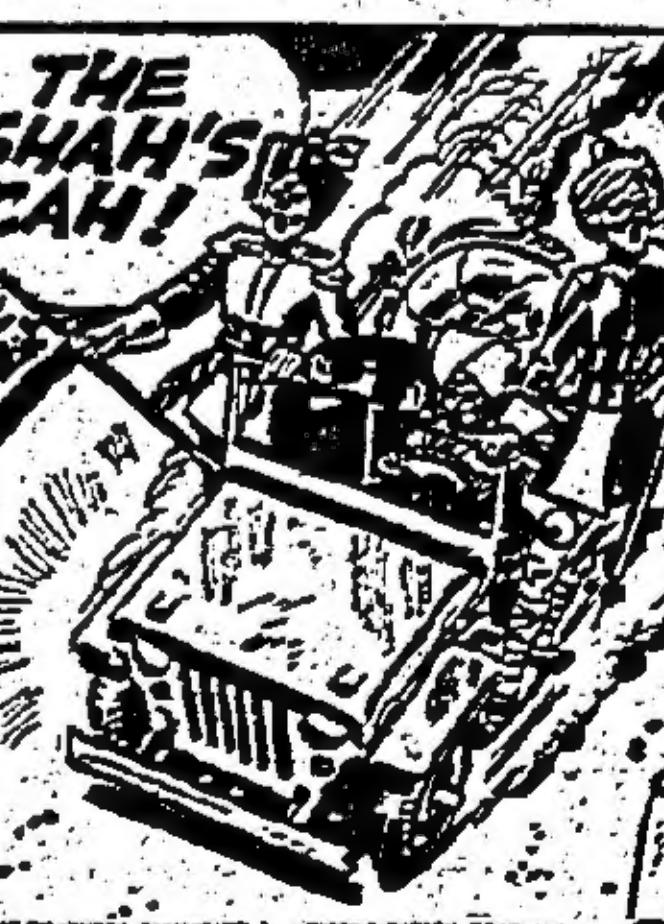
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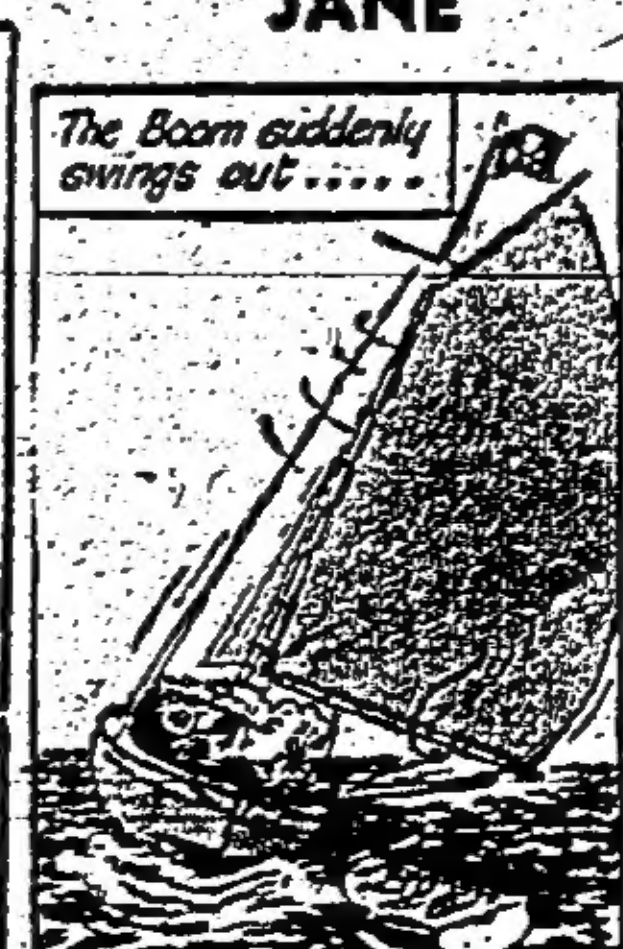


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## AA Fire On Aircraft Over Egypt

Tel-Aviv, October 22. (delayed by censor).

At least two aircraft carrying passengers to Israel were hit by anti-aircraft fire while flying over Egyptian territory near Gaza yesterday, reliable reports reaching Tel-Aviv said today. No passengers were wounded and both aircraft managed to land safely.

The original report of the incident was stopped last night by censorship. This report said the Egyptians opened heavy anti-aircraft fire at two places on British and American planes. Reliable quarters said both planes were on ordinary commercial flights and Britain and the United States planned to lodge protests.

In London, a British Foreign Office spokesman said that his Office had received a preliminary report that Egyptian anti-aircraft had fired on a British passenger plane which was en route from Lydda to Aden on Friday. The spokesman said none of the passengers was injured. He added that the government would take no action in the matter until a full report of the incident was received in the Foreign Office probably within a few days.—United Press.

## POST OFFICE

## MAIL NOTICE

## Outward Mails

## AIR MAIL DELAYED

The Inward Airmail from United Kingdom, scheduled to arrive on Monday, October 24, is now expected to arrive on Tuesday, October 25, 1949. The Outward Airmail for Japan, scheduled to close at 5 p.m. on Monday, October 24, will now close at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, October 25, 1949. (Registered mail has a lower ceiling.)

## CHRISTMAS PARCEL MAIL FOR UNITED KINGDOM

Christmas parcel mail for United Kingdom per air, Carriage will close as follows: GPO: (Parcel) 5 p.m. October 27. (Reg.) 9 a.m. October 28; (Ord.) 9 a.m. October 28. Newlon GPO: (Parcel) 5 p.m. October 27. (Reg.) 9 a.m. October 28; (Ord.) 9 a.m. October 28. This mail is expected to arrive in London on or about November 25, 1949. With immediate effect and until further notice, further correspondence can be accepted for Army and Post Office. Unregistered correspondence only for Canton, Shanghai, Tientsin and North China can be accepted at present risk, and will be forwarded as opportunity offers.

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles and Parcel Post close 30 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. If mail close before 10 a.m., Registered and Parcel Post close at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office half an hour earlier than the GPO closing times.

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25

## Closing Times by Air

Airmail for Manila, (Reg.) 12 noon. (Ord.) 12.30 p.m.  
Airmail for Kowloon: Airmail for Chungking and Chongqing, (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.  
Airmail for Luchow and Kweichow: Airmail for Hainan, (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.  
Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, USA and Canada, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.  
Air Parcel Post for Manila, Honolulu and USA, (Kowloon CPO) 4.30 p.m. (GPO) 5 p.m.  
Ordinary Airmail (printed matters, samples and small parcel post) for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and USA, (Kowloon CPO) 4.30 p.m. (GPO) 5 p.m.  
Airmail for Japan, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.  
Airmail for Haiphong and Saigon, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.  
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Haiphong, 2 p.m.  
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## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26

## Closing Times by Air

Airmail for USA, (Reg.) 1.30 p.m. (Ord.) 2 p.m.  
Airmail for Luchow and Kweichow: Airmail for Hainan, (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.  
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27  
Closing Times by Air  
Airmail for Canada and USA, (Reg.) 11.30 a.m. (Ord.) 12 noon.  
Airmail for Okinawa and Tokyo, (Reg.)

## Resolution Adopted By British Jews

London, October 23.

At the monthly meeting of the Board of Deputies of British Jews today, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"The Board of Deputies of British Jews, bearing in mind that the question of the future status of Jerusalem is to come up for consideration by the United Nations present Assembly, and in view of the fact that the integration of the Jewish area of Jerusalem into the State of Israel is the minimum solution which would give satisfaction and security to its inhabitants and also lead to the further development of the Holy City."

"Presses its belief that such a decision would be compatible with international safeguards guaranteeing free access to and free worship at the Holy places."

"Further urges the government to use its influence and authority among the United Nations not only for the adoption of this policy but also for the conversion of the present armistice agreements between Israel and its neighbours into permanent peace treaties ensuring thereby the stability and prosperity of the Middle East."—Associated Press.

## Deteriorating Situation In PI Provinces

Manila, October 23.

The deteriorating situation of peace and order in a number of Philippine provinces, notably Negros Occidental, brought about by the heat of political rivalry in connection with the November 8 national elections, was tonight reported to have been brought to the attention of President Elpidio Quirino.

The report said that frantic appeals for immediate and decisive action to check violence, terrorism and abuses at once were transmitted to the Chief Executive by Senators Eugenio Lopez and Enrique Magalona, the Vice-Presidential and Senatorial candidates respectively on the Quirino ticket of the Liberal (Government) Party.

Informing his callers that the maintenance of a clean election was his responsibility, President Quirino assured them that he would do his level best to see to it that the people's free will was not tampered with during Election Day, it was stated.

A Malacanang Palace spokesman quoted the President as having stated in this connection: "I do not want to win in a dirty election." Negros Occidental is one of the provinces which have been the scene of pre-election hostilities and frauds.—Reuter.

## SERVICEMEN BOUND OVER

Sergeant W. F. Edmondson, and P. E. T. Brookes, navigator, both of the 88th Squadron, Kai Tak, who came before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday on a charge of disorderly conduct were bound over in the sum of \$100 to be of good behaviour for a period of 12 months.

Brookes was fined \$20 on an additional charge of using indecent language at the charge room. It was stated that defendants were taken to the station after they had created a scene at the Star Hotel, Nathan Road, on Sunday afternoon.

The new Union Church on the island will be officially dedicated and opened tomorrow at 5.45 p.m.

The Church building destroyed during the war, was recently reconstructed.

1.30 p.m. (Ord.) 2 p.m.  
Airmail for Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Bombay, Cairo (Mairaki), Bombay, Paris, Saigon, Mauritius and Johannesburg via Cairo, Rome and London, (Kowloon CPO: (Reg.) 4 p.m. (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.; GPO: (Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.)  
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## DOMESTIC BUILDING LOT SOLD

A domestic building lot at Shumshup, comprising 5,250 square feet, was sold yesterday afternoon at public auction at the Public Works Department for HK\$107,100.

The lot was put out to a little more than \$20 a square foot, or more than double the upset price of \$10 a square foot.

The lot is situated in Un Chau Street. The annual Crown rent is \$152. The lease is for 75 years, renewable for a further term of 24 years.

The purchaser is required to spend not less than \$150,000 in reasonable improvements within 12 months; and no industrial building is allowed to be erected. The auction opened with brisk bidding, the opening bid being \$1,000, but it gradually dropped to the \$100 level, and the number of bidders was reduced to three.

The hammer finally went down to Mr. Lee Chan-wing of No. 10, Wing Kai Street, a draftsman, acting on behalf of three buyers, Messrs. Leung Cho-wang, Chung Kai-chau and Li Tak.

## Cathay Land Hold Annual Meet

The Cathay Land Investment Company Limited, which owns extensive real estate property in Shanghai, held their 17th annual general meeting at Holland House yesterday.

The accounts for the year ended December 31, 1948, showed a loss of Gold Yuan 5,464,424.32.

The shortfall on the property working account was Gold Yuan 4,927,821.94.

The net loss on profit and loss, including loss carried forward from 1947, was converted into Hong Kong currency at the exchange rate of Gold Yuan 25.50 to HK\$1, and the amount shown on the balance sheet was HK\$256,215.81. The loss was carried forward to 1949.

President of the meeting were Mr. H. R. Cleland (Chairman), Mr. T. D. Drysdale (Director), Mr. J. M. Mehta (representing Arnold and Company Limited, the Secretaries and General Managers), and shareholders representing 194,477 shares.

Mr. Leo Spillman was appointed to the Board in place of Mr. N. E. Kent who had resigned, and Mr. L. Overa, the retiring Director, was re-elected.

Low, Bircham and Thomson, chartered accountants of Shanghai, were re-appointed auditors of the Company.

## SHOPKEEPERS FINED HEAVILY

Several shopkeepers were heavily fined by the Justice of Peace Court yesterday for overcharging on the price of commodities and without price tags. The shopkeepers of Kowloon Lung and Yuen Yuen Stores were each fined \$500 for overcharging and with having no price tags.

For having no price tag, Yee Loon Ho and Wah Cheong were each fined \$500. Similar fines were imposed on Tai Loy and Wing Cheong Company.

Fines ranging from \$350 to \$150 were imposed on several other shopkeepers for having no price tag.

## BENNY GOODMAN DUE IN MANILA

Manila, October 24. Swingmaster Benny Goodman, and his licorice stick, are due in Manila on November 15.

Federico Elizalde, Manila symphony conductor and brother of the Philippine Ambassador to Washington, made the announcement.

The clarinetist, who is well known here as a high priest of swing, will perform in three classical music concerts—Associated Press.

## RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 0.52 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

H.K.T.

1.15—Religious Talk (Studio).

1.30—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

1.45—"Light Varieties"—with Carmen Cavallaro and His Orchestra.

1.55—Peter York and His Concert Orchestra.

1.15—News, Weather Report and Announcements (Studio).

1.25—Interview.

1.30—"From the Shows".

2.00—Close Down.

6.00—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

6.25—"The Economic Crisis"—A Talk by the Right Hon. Clement Attlee, Prime Minister, (Recorded London Relay).

6.30—"Fantasies by Radio"—Presented by Mr. S. K. Lee and Miss Lee Wai-yan, (Studio).

6.30—"Orchestra"—Mandolin, Banjo, Saxophone, American, (London Relay).

7.00—"American Letter"—(London Relay).

7.15—"Charles Vidor and George Boulanger and His Orchestra".

7.30—"Down Memory Lane"—Presented by Allen Woods, (Studio).

8.00—"News and News Analysis" (London Relay).

8.15—"The Green Fox Duet Capers"—Presented by Jonathan Sir, (Studio).

8.30—"The Importance of being Earnest"—Excerpts from the play by Oscar Wilde. Presented by the H.K. State Club, (Studio).

9.00—"From the Editorials" (London Relay).

9.15—"Weather Report".

9.15—"Twenty Questions"—Trans. From a Coy. R.A.S.C. Questionmaster: Sgt. John Baker, (Studio).

9.40—"Grand Hotel"—Albert Sandier with the Palm Court Orchestra, (BBCTS).

9.50—"Music Recital by Walter Gieseking".

10.25—Interview.

11.00—"Chanson Francaise".

11.00—"Radio News Reel" (London Relay).

11.15—"Weather Report and Summary of News".

11.25—Close Down.

## Rediffusion

H.K.T.

7.00—"Up with the Sun".

7.15—"Setting up Exercises".

7.30—"Musical Clock".

7.45—"Kilgore's Breakfast Session".

8.00—"News and Weather Forecast".

8.15—"Music by Monastere".

8.30—"Good Morning".

9.00—"Today's Music".

10.00—"Morning Melody".

10.30—"Concert Keyboard".

11.00—"Music for All".

12.00—"H.K. Stock Exchange".

12.15—"Time".

12.30—"Interval Special".

12.30—"Light Music".

1.00—"Singing".

1.15—"News".

1.30—"From the Shows".

2.00—"Variety Calls the Tune".

4.00—"Novelty".

4.15—"Troticana".

4.30—"Vocally Yours".

5.00—"Music Makers".

5.15—"Children's Corner".

5.30—"Movie Time".

6.00—"Radio Headlines".

6.15—"Reminiscence" with Singin' Sam.

6.30—"Music for Millions".

6.45—"Richard Lin Sing".

7.00—"Listen to Loberg".

7.15—"Concert Favourite".

7.30—"The Super-Gala Programme".

8.00—"BBC News".

8.15—"South American".

8.30—"Harmonious Harmony".

8.45—"Let's Waltz".

9.00—"The Mac".

9.15—"Vincent Lopez".

9.30—"Free for All".

10.00—"BBC World News".

10.15—"Local News".

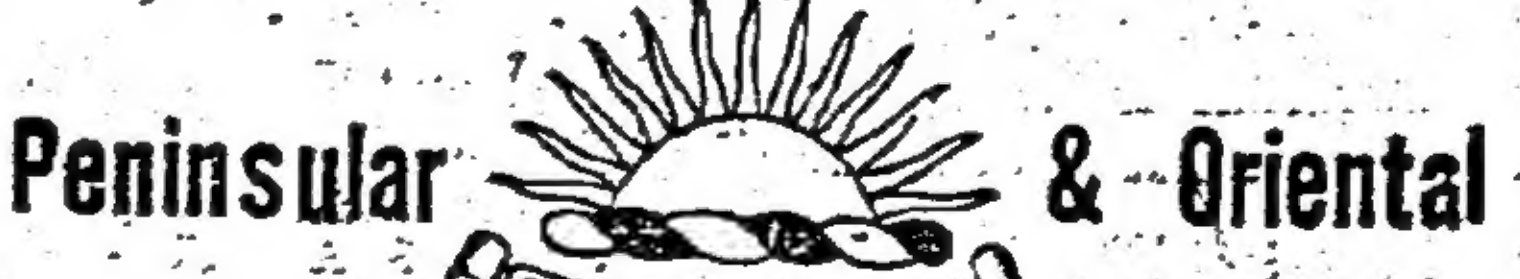
10.30—"Light Music".

10.45—"Paris Cabaret Music".

11.00—"Stardust".

11.15—"Soft Light and Sweet Music".

Midnight—Close Down.



## STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY

### R.M.S. "CARTHAGE"

#### NOTICE TO PASSENGERS

SAILS: FRIDAY, the 28th OCTOBER at NOON for the United Kingdom via Straits, Colombo, Bombay, Aden and Port Said.

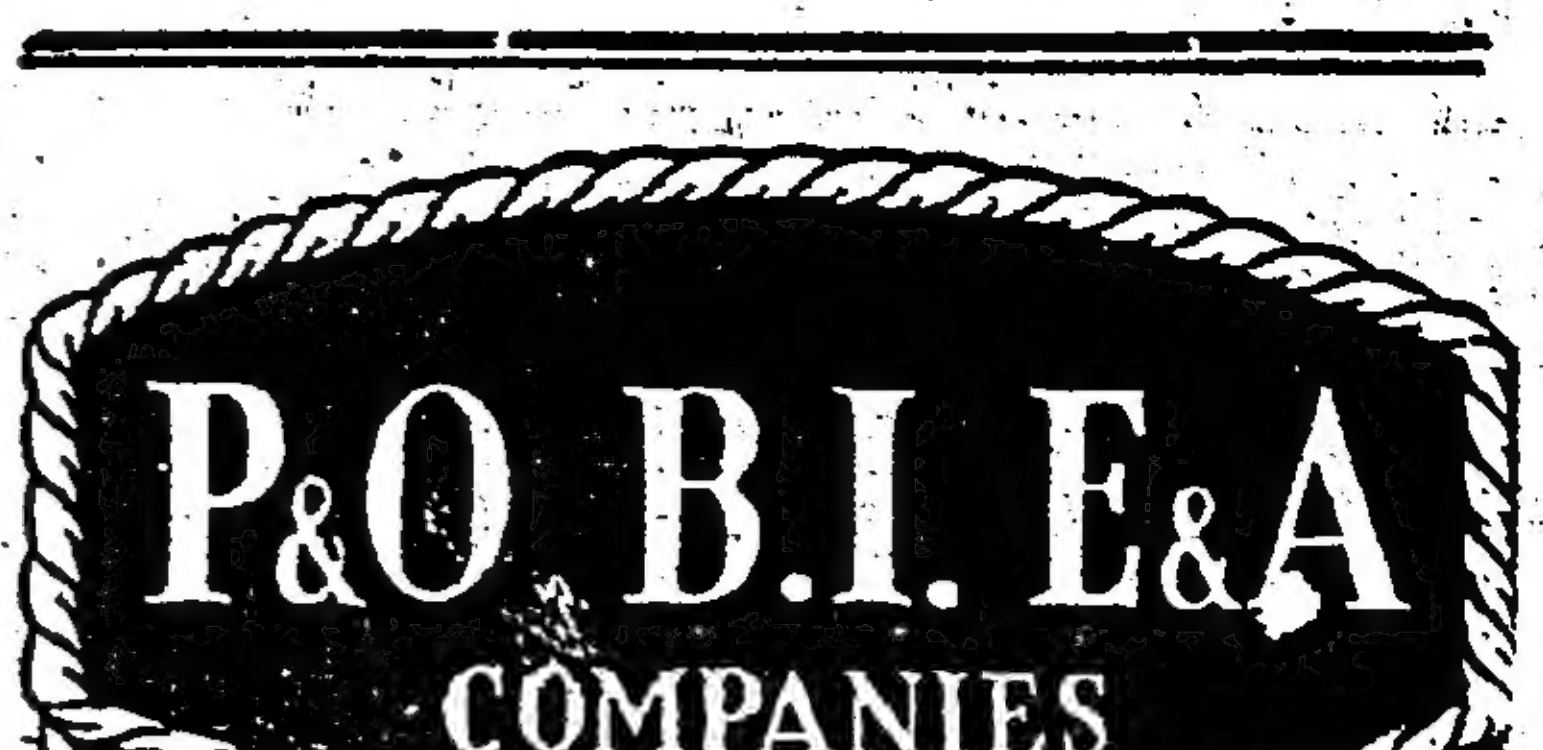
BAGGAGE: ALL passengers baggage must be sent to the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf Co.'s Godown at NO. 2 GATE, CANTON ROAD ENTRANCE by NOON on THURSDAY, the 27th OCTOBER.

SPECIAL NOTE: With the exception of hand packages carried by passengers themselves ALL BAGGAGE must pass through the Wharf Co.'s Godown for loading on board by ship's slings only.

EMBARKATION: Will take place between 10 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. on FRIDAY, the 28th OCTOBER.

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"CORFU"	Sailed	21st November
"CANTON"	17th November	19th December
"CARTHAGE"	19th November	14th January
	Via Southampton, Port Said, Aden, Bombay, Colombo, Penang & Singapore	

#### HOMEWARDS LEAVES HONGKONG DUE LONDON

a. "CARTHAGE"	21st October	21st November
a. "CORFU"	23rd November	2nd December
a. "CANTON"	23rd December	23rd January
a. "CARTHAGE"	30th January	10th February
a. "CORFU"	17th February	15th March
a. "CANTON"	17th March	17th April

Via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Bombay, Aden and Port Said.











